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Sharing the tastes of Christmas Past



Junior Poor of Andover pours "sugared-up" maple syrup into molds to make maple sugar candy. He has made the candies at

Christmas time for more than 50 years, and distributes them to relatives and friends. (Photo by Alison Aloisio)

Labors of love keep holiday treat tradition alive

The cakes Jane Young shares today with friends and neighbors are believed to be descendents of the long-lived treats first sent to Civil War soldiers.

By ALISON ALOISIO

It's the time of year when we make Christmas goodies for people with whom we share our lives. For many of us, the recipes are enriched when they have decades of family history behind them.

War cakes

Growing up in a large family in Newry, Jane (Bean) Young looked forward each Christmas to "Civil War cakes," a dessert made by her mother, Bertha.

The cakes, her mother told her, were originally made and sent off with soldiers because the food would last a long time without refrigeration. Among the ingredients:

raisins, lard, flour, nutmeg, cinnamon, cloves and walnuts.

Young isn't sure how the Civil War recipe came into her family. "My mother was born in Canada," she said, speculating the recipe may have come through her father's side.

For Young's mother, it took an effort to gather the ingredients. Bertha had to budget before winter to buy them.

She made the cakes in November, and gave some to the family then. The rest were put away for Christmas. Having the tasty dessert brightened the whole holiday season.

"It was a real treat," said Young. Years later, in 1970, the good memories of the Christmas dessert prompted Young to start her own tradition. She decided to make the cakes as Christmas gifts for her friends and neighbors in Bethel.

She started out with a few cakes given out with a Christmas card. Then, as more new people moved into her Paradise Road neighborhood, she decided to give them as a welcoming gesture.

"There wasn't a real welcome wagon in town," she said.

Today, she prepares for Christmas.

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New recreational facilities proposed for Woodstock

By ALISON ALOISIO

Ideas for a "full-fledged recreation park," as well as a temporary indoor rec center, were presented to Woodstock selectmen Tuesday. The plans would require both an increase in the town's recreation budget and the establishment of a

new reserve account.

John Fitzmorris, co-chair of the town's Recreation Committee, outlined possible long-term plans for a recreation park on town property near the town beach on Lakeside Drive. He also proposed plans for making the downstairs part of the

addition at the Whitman Memorial Library into a temporary recreation area for youngsters.

Phillippe Gut, a part-time resident of Woodstock, recently made a donation of \$15,000 to the town for use toward playground equipment. Fitzmorris said the committee is

currently researching prices for equipment and picnic tables, to be placed on the land across from the beach.

The committee has a rough sketch of longer-term plans for the two-acre site.

With the picnic tables placed around the perimeter, there would be open space in the center area for

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MDOT to fine tune plans for Route 26 thru Bryant Pond

After hearing concerns of local residents

By ALISON ALOISIO

By Maine Department of Transportation standards, Route 26 in Bryant Pond has a "huge" truck volume, residents learned at a hearing last week.

MDOT has plans to improve the traffic situation by adding a truck lane on Merrifield Hill. But the plans do not include — and likely never will — a bypass around the village.

About two dozen people attended a Maine Department of Transportation hearing last Wednesday. Ralph Webster of MDOT presented preliminary plans for improvements to a mile-long stretch of Route 26, from the Dudley Road at the top of Merrifield Hill into the village just past Rumford Avenue.

The primary focus of the improvements will be the addition of a truck lane to allow motorists to pass slow-moving trucks headed up the hill, Webster said. The travel lane will also be widened.

In addition, MDOT plans to square up the intersections with the Dudley Road, Route 232 and Rumford Avenue, to provide better sight distance.

In the past three years, said Web-

ster, there have been 12 accidents in the area, involving a variety of vehicles. "It's not exorbitant, but it's reaching the upper limit," he said.

Webster said 18 percent of the traffic on the road is heavy trucks. He described that volume as "huge." Eight percent is considered a large volume by MDOT, he said.

In a traffic study done in 2001, it was found 522 trucks went through daily, Webster said.

Downhill is the problem

Although the new truck lane will allow motorists to pass trucks headed south, much of the local concern about safety results from the trucks and other vehicles headed north, down Merrifield Hill. Over past years many vehicles have gone off the road on the way down, residents said.

Selectman Steve Bies said he was disappointed MDOT's plan does little to address that problem.

"Going uphill is not a concern for me," he said. "But it bothers me a great deal coming down."

Webster said that aside from more enforcement of the speed limit (45 mph) coming down the hill, the only other feasible option would be to place sensors in the road detecting speeding vehicles. The sensors would flash a notice on an electronic sign that the driver was going too fast.

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Shifting priorities, familiar challenges confront new White Mountain supervisor

By REBECCA ZICARELLI

Tom Wagner, supervisor of the White Mountain National Forest, manages the forest with a guiding principle. "Sustainability is key to my job," he said, "leaving options open for future generations for the piece of ground I manage."

Wagner replaced Donna Hepp as forest supervisor in June, four-plus years into the mammoth task of developing a new management plan for the forest. The Forest Service is doing a complete overhaul of the 1986 management plan. Wagner's goal is to have a draft Environmental Impact Study available for public comment in December, 2003.

He's also dealing with changing management policies as a result of the shift from the Clinton to Bush administrations.

Flip-flopping road rules

There are ongoing policy shifts such as President Clinton's roadless initiative, a ruling that forbids building roads in areas of National Forests that are classified as "roadless." To deal with the roadless initiative, the WMNF staff was required to conduct a road inventory, which they included the planning already underway.

The Bush administration reversed Clinton's initiative through a series of court injunctions, a move welcomed by timber and mining interests. But the road inventory continued in the Whites as part of developing the new management plan.

And last week, a Federal Appeals Court in California overturned the injunctions, reinstating the roadless initiative. Here at home, the impact from the rule is relatively minor. For western forests, such as Alaska's Tongass National Forest, the rule will prevent most commercial logging and mining.

And the rule's status is still uncertain. "There are still other court cases," Wagner said, "it still remains to be seen."

Healthy forests

Other initiatives, directed primarily at western forests, also need to be considered. One, the Healthy Forest Initiative, was adopted in response to the wildfires that have ravaged the West in recent summers. Many of those fires burned

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Letters

JOIN THE CHAIN OF PEOPLE

To the Editor:

This Friday at 1:30 p.m. the entire Crescent Park School student body and staff will be forming a Human Chain from CPS to the Ethel Bisbee School. At this time, we will be passing all of the winter items and food items that we have collected for the District Exchange and Food Bank down the line of people. The Student Council has been responsible for the counting and bagging of all the items as they came in. We'd like to invite any community members who would like to be part of this event to please come and join us. It is especially helpful to have people join in with the younger grades. We can guarantee that you'll be glad you joined us.

Last year, we sent 155 bags of items down the line. This year, we hope to have more. If you have any winter items that you no longer want, you may drop them off at the Crescent Park School. Also, we'd love to have at least 500 pounds of food to send down the line. Thus far we've collected about 300 pounds.

Student Council also collects the pop tabs off cans and used eyeglasses. The pop tabs we take to Portland to the Ronald McDonald House to help them earn money and the glasses we give to the Lions Club, which recycles them to children and people in need of glasses.

Please come join us this Friday, Nov. 20, at 1:30 p.m.

Judy Coolidge
Student Council Advisor

THE TOWN IS 'WOODSTOCK'

To the Editor:

Here are some thoughts on the Bryant Pond/Woodstock proposal for changing the name of the Post Office. Bryant Pond is a body of water in the Town of Woodstock; it is also a village in the Town of Woodstock.

Although for years I have thought and said that I live in Bryant Pond, I don't.

If I did, I might be a fish or a turtle. I should think and say: "I live in Woodstock, the Bryant Pond part."

I'd like to say a "Big Hello" to all the people with whom I share this experience of living in Woodstock. The signs that Greenwood have, "Entering Greenwood," are very attractive. It would be very nice if routes 232 and 26, The Old County Road and perhaps Rowe Hill Road had similar signs at the town lines. There should also be signs by the ball field and somewhere on Merrifield Hill that say: "Entering the Village of Bryant Pond." Perhaps some of the children at Woodstock Elementary School have ideas about what such signs might portray.

Nancy Willard
Woodstock

PREJUDICED, DISCRIMINATORY

To the Editor:

First, I would like to apologize to any of the Planning Board members, past and present, for my statement in the Letter to the Editor dated Dec. 5 in The Bethel Citizen, pertaining to the lack of responsibility toward the low and moderate income people that have been displaced and live with conditions created by the development in Bethel. I believe there are and have been members who are concerned with these issues and do review applications fairly and equally. There are board members who do use their Planning Board Manual to conduct their business. I should not have generalized this statement.

At the Appeals Board meeting on Dec. 10, I believe my appeal was also reviewed with bias, prejudice and discrimination. I believe the chairman should have allowed me to present my rebuttal uninterrupted, as the law states, and was also allowed to Mr. Cressy during his presentation to the board. Issues of conflict of interest and bias should have been reviewed at the beginning of the meeting. I believe that Mr. Francis Dumont (Appeals Board member) had an application before the Planning Board at the time of this meeting. He has had many applications accepted, approved with conditions and has been granted numerous waivers from this Planning Board (see application submitted Nov. 13, 2002, WMCB Retail Office Service Condo Building, Map 25, Lot 241-1 The Parkway). I believe he has a great interest in appeasing the board.

Mr. Lenny Shaw's statement at this meeting, of his disgust of my mentioning his friends and the word discrimination, was one of the reasons he would be denying my appeal. This was truly a biased, prejudiced and discriminatory remark to me. I would ask Mr. Shaw that instead of using his seat on the Board of Appeals to attack me publicly, that he would speak to me in a more private forum, where I would be able to answer his concerns. I was not allowed this privilege at the meeting.

I was surprised to see that the only members who attended this meeting were the new Planning Board members to this application. These members voted for approval with conditions. The senior Planning Board members who voted to deny this application found it unnecessary to attend. They have reviewed this application from the beginning, and should have been there to defend their reasons for denial. I feel this implies that there weren't any true reasons for their denial.

One of the concerns by the Appeals Board is that I didn't have a construction permit from the State Fire Marshal. This is not required by the ordinances of Bethel and is also not required by other applicants. Although the board agreed that the issues concerning the Planning Board could have been on a conditional approval. The lighting was of great concern, for my clientele would be the elderly and children. The implication that I would even consider doing anything that would in any way endanger the elderly and the children using the center is to me a personal discredit as a developer.

I believe that the actions of the Planning Board and the Appeals Board in reviewing this application and my appeal should be of great concern to the citizens of the Town of Bethel and the selectmen.

Darlene Corriveau
Developer/Applicant

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Route 26

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Some of the heavy trucks on the road are the result of the opening last year of a Midwest-Price chip mill in West Paris. The trucks travel to the MeadWestvaco mill in Rumford by way of Route 26 through Bethel.

Some residents wondered why the trucks don't use Route 232, which would route them away from Bryant Pond village and utilize a route that is 17 miles shorter.

Town Manager Vern Maxfield said it was company policy to stay off Route 232.

Webster said MDOT has no power to prevent the trucks from coming down Merrifield Hill, because Route 26 is considered part of the national highway system.

Other people at the hearing worried the uphill passing lane would result in cars speeding southbound as they pass trucks. John Cox said people trying to turn left onto Route 26 from Route 232 "would never get out," particularly during times of heavy skier traffic.

On the positive side, one resident said the cutting of some trees along the road as part of the improvements should help safety in the winter, because the sun would get to the pavement and melt ice and snow.

Rumford Avenue concerns

The plans to square up the intersections also drew mixed reviews. Maxfield said the proposal for Rumford Avenue was "terrible," because it would make the turn more blind than it is now.

The avenue would end in a dip, and that, coupled with a rise on Route 26 toward the village, would make it more difficult for drivers on both roads to see each other.

Brian Strickland, who lives across Route 26 from Rumford Avenue, suggested a turning lane for southbound cars waiting to turn left onto the avenue.

He said drivers speeding up in anticipation of climbing Merrifield Hill are sometimes caught by surprise by cars that are stopped and waiting to turn left. The southbound cars must then swerve to the right, toward his property, to avoid a collision.

"I've got skid marks in my driveway," he said. "A turning lane (so cars to go around on the right) would let the cars get around with-



TRICKY INTERSECTION—A car turns onto Rumford Ave. from Route 26 as a northbound chip truck approaches. (Photo by Michael Daniels)

out going through my kitchen," he said.

One resident saw work on the Dudley Road intersection as a lower priority. Elton Cole, who lives at the top of the hill, said the traffic coming off the Dudley Road is quite light. He also suggested lowering the speed limit headed down the hill.

John Gauthier, Woodstock code enforcement officer, asked about the potential for a bypass around the village. Added Maxfield, "I bet we get three calls a week about a bypass."

The complexity of such a project and the time required for an environmental impact study required probably means "it wouldn't even be a consideration," said Webster.

He told residents, however, that improvements to Route 26 through

the village are still on MDOT's list of future projects.

"We haven't forgotten downtown," he said, although one option for straightening and widening the road there would mean several buildings would have to be removed. "A lot of people wouldn't be happy," said Webster.

But if traffic could be slowed down through the village, the changes would be less drastic, he said.

Webster said MDOT will incorporate some of the suggestions made by residents at the hearing. He plans to return to Woodstock in March or April with revised plans for further review by townspeople.

If state funding is available, the majority of the work would be scheduled for 2004.

Truck volume, route options

By ALISON ALOISIO

After last week's hearing, Midwest-Price and MeadWestvaco provided some numbers and further information regarding the chip trucks. The trucks make a total of 160 trips a day through Bryant Pond, including both north and southbound, according to Joe Ring, Midwest Price trucking manager.

And regarding the use of Route 232, MeadWestvaco spokesman Tony Lyons said Tuesday a traffic study done prior to the mill's opening determined that Route 232 was a poorer choice overall for the trucks.

It is narrower, has fewer passing opportunities, does not have paved shoulders, and has poorer sight distances, he said. In addition, on some curves the road slopes the wrong way, said Lyons.

Lyons also said that aside from Bryant Pond Village, the impact of the truck traffic on communities is less on Route 26. There are many homes on Route 232 located close to the road, he said.

Forest

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out of control because dead wood had collected on the ground and along the lower trunks of evergreens, a natural result of decades of fire fighting that prevented some fuels from being naturally burned.

The Healthy Forest Initiative details goals for the nation's forests including the removal of fuels and the protection of both wildlife habitats and human communities at risk of being destroyed by wildfire.

Many of those goals are already included in the '86 management plan for the Whites. Frank Hagan, forest management program leader, said, "The 1986 plan calls for managing for a variety of conditions across a variety of habitats. When the land was inventoried (for the '86 plan), we took a holistic look at the condition of trees not only as timber but also as habitat, including species, age, and class. A basic premise of the 1986 plan is that timber and wildlife are closely linked."

Forest treatment

The Forest Service calls managing a stand for wildlife a "treatment." The service uses varying treatments to encourage different plant species — thus encouraging different animal species.

A treatment may include a prescribed burn, mowing, or timber harvest. Harvests are done in different ways, including thinning selective cuts to manage hardwood stands, clearcutting to encourage birch and aspen, or cutting in clumps to let light — vital winter warmth for deer — into balsam or spruce stands.

Each treatment is subject to an individual planning process, a mini version of the massive process the now underway in the Whites. The plan is announced, public comment invited, and then a National Environmental Protection Act review is done. Finally, a decision is made about if they should proceed.

But that doesn't mean a treatment will be done. "Many are appealed, some are litigated before we can announce a sale," Hagan said.

It can take years before the Forest Service can do something as simple as clear an opening to encourage the edge habitat — pucker brush — that small critters need to survive; years before a contractor can undertake a timber harvest in the forest, a harvest designed to promote the forest's health.

From 1986 to 1998, an average 24 million board feet of lumber was harvested from across the forest each year. "In '99, we stopped offering timber sales," Hagan said,



'This forest is diverse in what people want from it. ... Unless you come to the table, you really don't know that people are going to hear your viewpoint.'

TOM WAGNER
Supervisor, WMNF

"because of threatened and endangered species, primarily the Indiana bat."

But in 2002, after doing an assessment, the Forest Service offered the first sale for 11 million board feet since 1998. Three timber sales occurred in the Androscoggin District (all in New Hampshire), two in the Saco District, and one in the Ammonoosuc. Some of the sales in the Androscoggin District were to salvage ice-storm damage.

Planning with 70 million people

The National Forests are designated for multiple uses. By federal law, they are required to support a number of differing purposes such as protecting bio-diversity, recreation, timber harvesting, mining, preserving heritage.

Planning for the White Mountain National Forest, which serves the population base of the entire Northeast, is no simple task. Threatened

and endangered species must, by law, be protected. Wildlife must thrive. The interests of snowmobilers, hikers, loggers, hunters, fishermen, historians, peak-baggers, bird watchers, and picnickers must all be considered.

To streamline the planning process, which suffers from what Hagan called "analysis paralysis," the Forest Service has proposed a new planning rule. The rule, first suggested in 2000 and substantially revised this year, is open to public comment through March before a final rule is adopted.

According to the rule, posted on the Federal Register, planning would be based on the best available scientific information. It would eliminate much of the redundant analysis currently required of the Forest Service, resulting in considerable cost and time savings. The rule would encourage public involvement in the beginning and throughout the process, in an attempt to reduce the delays and expense of litigation. The new process is designed to let an adopted plan respond to changes in either forest conditions or public goals. And it gives the authority of much of the decision making to the local supervisor, such as Wagner here in the White Mountain National Forest.

Wagner said the '86 plan is good, but it needs to be updated. He has identified three major issues. First, are the allocations of actively and passively managed forestland. Currently 41 percent is in active management, 59 percent in passive management. Second, are concerns of the level of use. "Are people truly having a wilderness experience inside the wilderness?" Third, are the techniques to use for species management within the actively managed parts of the forest.

Previously, Wagner worked in forests in the Mid-west and West, where he said there was less public interest in the forest than there is here. All that interest makes his job both challenging and rewarding. "It's the positive thing about working someplace that people care about," he said. "It's a privilege."

"This forest is diverse in what people want from it," Wagner said. "The Forest Service has done a good job here because it's a basic requirement when you're surrounded by 70 million people." Wagner encourages people to get involved. "Unless you come to the table, you really don't know that people are going to hear your view point."

Our Back Pages

Compiled by JOHN K. BROWN

10 years ago: Six people were made homeless and four local businesses were displaced as a late-night fire destroyed two Main Street buildings. Lost was the building where Brown's Variety Store was located for nearly half a century and the structure that was home to Central Bowling Alleys for many years.

Paul Parisien of Auburn was killed when his car struck a tree after being forced off Route 26 in South Bethel.

The last piece of letterpress equipment was removed from The Citizen office to a Sun-Journal print shop in Lewiston. The 10x15 Chandler and Price platen press had been at the local printing plant for over 50 years.

Deaths: Christen J. Angevine, Clifford M. Akers, Edith Maude Danforth, Eva Saunders, William A. Ripley, James Farrar.

20 years ago: Prim's Pharmacy was robbed of narcotics by three suspects who were later apprehended in Lancaster, N.H., and returned to Maine for the disposition of the case.

Bernice and Richard Hoisington and daughter, Molly, portrayed the Holy Family at the Living Nativity on Bethel Common.

Deaths: Rodney R. Brown, Martin W. Colby.

30 years ago: Jim Lowe, Michael O'Donnell and Andy Wight were to portray the Three Wise Men during the annual reenactment of the Living Nativity on Bethel Common.

Cpl. Chester S. Wheeler participated in an eight-day U.S. Army exercise near Fulda, Germany.

Pupils of the Susan Farrar Dance Studio visited area hospitals and nursing homes during the Christmas season.

Birth: Timothy Michael Chapman.

Deaths: Guy S. Patterson, Earle W. Edwards, Ellen A. Young.

40 years ago: Stanley W. Judkins, formerly of Bethel, had been hired as city manager of Berlin, N.H., and was to assume duties there on Jan. 1.

Bethel Jaycees announced that they would be dropping their year of planned action effective immediately because of "gross lack of public support over the past three years."

Albert C. Sumner was stationed at the U.S. Navy Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill.

Birth: Douglas Sherman Greenleaf.

Deaths: Josephine Leighton Cole, Winfield Churchill, Marjorie M. Hanson, Barnes H. Walker.

50 years ago: Lawrence Sanders resigned as a State Police Officer. He was to be associated with his father in a filling station in Phillips. Reportedly Kenneth Wing of Gardiner was to be his successor.

Some 25,000 yards of rock next to the Rumford Fire Station had been purchased and was to be removed by Omer Beisaw of Jay. The site was probably going to be the location of a service station.

New combination lock boxes had been installed at the Bethel Post Office. Other new equipment included an electrically operated canceling machine.

Births: Bonnie Lee Mills, Martha Lynn Lippitt.

60 years ago: Holiday decorations in public places were banned unless chemically treated so that they would not cause a fire hazard. Bethel's quota for Russian War Relief was \$85.

70 years ago: Miss Margaret Carter was singer in the devotional services of the Radio Parish, Portland.

Albert S. Grover was awarded the "Silver Star" by the War Department for gallantry in action during the Meuse-Argonne drive in World War I.

80 years ago: Miss Cleo Russell received appointment as postmaster for the Bethel Post Office.

The Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company opened a store in the Naimy Block.

90 years ago: H.S. Packard sold his house and undertaking business to Fred J. Tibbetts of Center Hall, Pa.

Irving L. Carver removed the sign of Edwin C. Rowe on his store and replaced it with one bearing his own name. (Building is now Opera House Condominiums).

100 years ago: The ferryboat at Northwest Bethel was icebound in the middle of the river.

Hastings Bros. installed a Star Oil Burner in a stove at L.A. Lucas's store. The manufacturer claimed that with this device a range could be used for cooking and heating purposes for one cent an hour.

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Briefly

House can stay in protected zone

BETHEL—The Board of Selectmen has agreed to allow a house protruding 27 feet into the Androscoggin River's resource protection zone to stay where it is. The board voted unanimously Monday to enter into a consent agreement with Robert Martin, owner of the house, under the terms of which the town agrees to forego any possible enforcement action to have the structure relocated, and Martin agrees to pay \$500 to cover the town's legal and administrative costs. All parties involved in the matter agreed the situation came about through oversight, specifically the failure of the developer and of town officials signing off on the project to realize that the site in question called for a 250-foot setback, rather than the much more common 100-foot setbacks called for in other zones included in the town's Shoreland Zoning Ordinance. They also questioned where the site really warranted the more stringent "resource protection" designation, since it is an essentially level plateau set back from the steeper sections of the riverbank. The selectmen did however express concern about the precedent they might be setting in signing off on such violations. Chairman Dutch Dresser said: "It concerns me just a little that we're sort of sitting here and rewriting the rule, and all agreeing with each other that it's a good idea to rewrite the rule - which I'm not sure is our job."

Accident victim dies

AUBURN—A former Andover woman injured in a crash on Route 4 last week died Sunday at Central Maine Medical Center. Augusta Yates, 25, an Auburn resident, had been in a coma since Thursday, when her car crashed into a tractor trailer truck. Two teenage boys who were passengers in the Plymouth Neon escaped without serious injury. Firefighters used hydraulic equipment to free the victims. The tractor trailer was pulling out of a side road when Yates struck it. An investigation is continuing, but police said the occupants may have been distracted by snowmobiles driving along the side of the road.

A fire truck for Christmas

GILEAD—The Fire Department has received a gift of a 1976 Ford pumper truck from Greenwood. It will replace a 1973 pumper, which will be used for parts for the newer truck. Greenwood considered selling the truck, but because the return was not expected to be significant, decided instead to donate it to the smaller town. Greenwood Fire Chief Ray Seames said his department received gifts from other towns in the past, and this was a of passing along the favors.

Mill reopening delayed

BERLIN—Pulp mill workers will not be going back to work in January at the Fraser Mill, as had been originally planned, according to union officials. The idle mill will not go on line again now until next spring. The mill has been closed for a year and a half. The company cited economic conditions, a delay in resupplying the wood yard and a need to finish capital projects. Many workers' unemployment benefits will expire in late February.

SAD43 superintendent resigns

RUMFORD—SAD43 Supt. Danny Michaud resigned Monday effective June 30. The Board of Directors accepted his resignation following an executive session. Michaud cited personal reasons for leaving, and said in a letter that when he came to the district nine years ago, he was committed to stay until his youngest child graduated. She will graduate in June. When the motion to accept his resignation passed, many of the approximately 50 members of the public in attendance applauded. Over the years, there have been charges of intimidation by some staff and controversy over the employment of two administrators. A recent accreditation report on Mountain Valley High School, issued by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges said there was a lack of communication and teamwork between the superintendent and the high school.

Bottle drive rescheduled

BETHEL—A bottle drive scheduled for this past weekend to benefit the Telstar High School baseball team's trip to Florida has been rescheduled to this Saturday, Dec. 21. It will take place at the SAD44 bus garage from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. To arrange pickup of bottles call 824-3136.

WES PTA recognized

WOODSTOCK—The Woodstock PTA received a membership award at the recent annual Maine PTA Convention for increasing its membership. According to SAD44 Supt. Dave Murphy, one-third of parents at the school participate in the organization. The PTA also puts on many activities and fundraising events throughout the school year.

C.B. Cummings equipment auctioned

NORWAY—About 1,000 items of wood products manufacturing equipment, machine shop and sawmill equipment and stock were auctioned off last week at a public auction for C.B. Cummings & Sons Co. The sawmill closed recently after 142 years in business. More than 200 potential buyers came from as far away as Canada, California and Minnesota for the auction by Keenan Auction Co. No bids were made on the real estate, however. Cummings owners said they have talked to Community Concepts Inc. about the potential for redeveloping the property, possibly for elderly housing.

Unemployment up in November

AUGUSTA—The seasonally adjusted November unemployment rate for Maine was 4.3 percent, up from 4.1 percent in October and unchanged from 4.3 percent a year ago, state Labor Commissioner Valerie Landry announced Tuesday. The Maine unemployment rate was well below the national November rate of 6.0 percent. The total number of nonfarm wage and salary jobs has been essentially unchanged over the past four months. Between November 2001 and November 2002, seasonally adjusted nonfarm wage and salary jobs rose by 2,100 to 610,400. Gains were recorded in services, government, retail trade, and construction. Partially offsetting these gains, manufacturing jobs declined by 4,500, with the largest losses in electronic and other electric equipment and paper and allied products. Other New England states reporting their seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for November include New Hampshire, 4.7 percent, and Vermont, 4.0 percent. The adjusted national rate for November was 6.0 percent, up from 5.7 percent in October and 5.6 percent in November 2001.

Railroad operators won't renew lease

GARDINER—The operator of the excursion rail service between Hallowell and Richmond has decided not to extend its lease on the state-owned tracks for the 2003 season. The service didn't draw enough passengers to allow it to continue next summer, Bob Lamontagne, president of Belfast & Mooshead Lake Railroad, wrote in a letter to municipal officers. The train ran along the Kennebec River and made stops in Hallowell, Gardiner and Richmond. Those municipalities built platforms at the stations, and the state reimbursed them for about two-thirds of their cost. Some town officials said the decision is premature, and the service needs more time to prove itself. The service would have benefited from a connection to other active rail lines, said Ronald Roy, director of passenger transportation for the state Transportation Department. Plans to extend passenger service from Portland to Brunswick and Rockland would make service to Augusta more feasible, he said. The Transportation Department will put out a request for proposals to run the excursion service soon.

From the Bethel Police Log:

Slow down for school buses

At 8 a.m. on Dec. 18 a caller requested more radar enforcement on Route 2 in West Bethel during the hours school buses pick up children. She said there had been a number of "near misses," and felt drivers were going too fast for the 35 mph speed limit.

Saturday, Dec. 14

At 10 a.m. police observed several subjects trespassing on the railroad tracks under the Route 2 overpass. It was found they were smoking cigarettes. Summonses were planned for the four subjects, who were juveniles, for possession of tobacco by a minor.

At 10:40 a.m. a vehicle traveling north on Route 26 on Hudson Hill lost control, coming to rest in the ditch. There was no damage and a wrecker towed it back onto the road.

At 1:37 p.m. police investigated a single vehicle rollover accident on the Songo Pond Road. The subject was treated and released by Bethel Rescue.

This report highlights points of interest from the Bethel Police Department log. It lists all cases of adults being arrested or issued a criminal summons in the 10 days prior to the newspaper's publication, but does not include all reports of other police activity. To reach the Bethel Police Department, call 911 in emergency situations, 824-3437 in non-emergencies.

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Recreation

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volleyball and other activities. Members also envision playground equipment directly across from the beach, so parents on the beach could easily watch their children on the equipment, Fitzmorris said.

He said placing vending machines and video games at the site could help make it self-sufficient. A building might be a possibility in the long term.

In winter months, the property could also be used for a skating rink, said Fitzmorris.

An application to the Department of Environmental Protection is also in the works to improve the beach area. If permitted, the committee would like to cut back some vegetation and realign existing granite slabs along the road to prevent sediment from washing into Lake Christopher.

Because the ideas would take a long time to complete and fund, Fitzmorris said the committee is supporting an idea from Town Manager Vern Maxfield to use the downstairs of the Whitman Library for recreation in the shorter term.

He said some heating and electrical work would be needed to finish off the area. The committee envi-

sions placing ping pong and pool tables in the room, and possibly vending machines and video games.

It might be open Friday and Saturday evenings, as well as one evening midweek, said Fitzmorris.

He also said there was a possibility a skating rink could be created outside the library for this winter.

To fund the many proposals, Fitzmorris said the committee would seek both grant money and more funding from the town.

This year, the request for the regular recreation budget will be \$3,000, up from the usual \$1,000.

The committee is also requesting a reserve account be started to help fund the park plans, with a figure of \$10,000 proposed for the upcoming municipal budget.

Initial improvements to the park site would require such work as grading and the placement of bark mulch, said Fitzmorris.

To complete the park development, he said, "we're looking at \$100,000 before all is said and done."

Fitzmorris said he hopes the town will support the long-term ideas. He noted that many similar suggestions made by residents in a recent survey by the Comprehensive Plan Committee would require money.

Selectman Steve Bies praised the committee's work, and said he would support a "sizeable" increase in the budget.

Treats

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JANE YOUNG AND HER WAR CAKES—and here's the recipe:

2 lbs seeded raisins (Muscat), 4 cups sugar, 4 cups water.
Boil together and cool:
1 1/2 cups melted lard, 7 cups flour, 2 tsp soda, 1 tsp salt, 1 tsp each nutmeg, cinnamon, cloves, 1 lb. chopped walnuts.
Bake like fruitcake at about 325 or 350 degrees. Cook about 45 minutes, maybe a little more. Test for doneness. Makes two 9 x 12 inch pans.
Half the recipe for one cake.

mas by making two dozen of the cakes in individual aluminum pans. With those kinds of numbers, she's thankful for the cakes' long shelf life.

"I have a closet with the back next to the outside wall of the house. With the door shut, it stays cold," she said.

It takes a special effort to obtain the cooking raisins, known as Muscat raisins, to make the cakes. The raisins used to be available locally, but not anymore.

"I wrote to the Sun Maid raisin company (in California)," she said. They sent her an order form, and now she orders the raisins five pounds at a time.

Once the cakes are made, Young distributes them as she comes and goes on errands during the holiday season. Her hairdresser was among the early recipients.

Not surprisingly, Young is sometimes on the receiving end of her friends' and relatives' own favorite Christmas treats. She gets Italian cookies from an Italian in-law, and German bread from a friend.

But Young doesn't give her cakes with the expectation of getting food in return. She's happy with the satisfaction that comes in sharing the Christmas spirit.

"I enjoy it because it brings me closer to my neighbors, family and friends," she said.

Maple sugar candy
Back in 1949, Junior Poor of Andover heard an interesting story from one of his friends, a woods guide and cook.

The man's daughter had been ill in the hospital, and wasn't eating or getting any better. Poor's friend went to visit her, and took some of his homemade maple sugar candy along.

She ate that, and "Two days later, she went home," said Poor. "It has

some healing properties."

Whether it was healing qualities or just having something homemade that put the young woman on the road to recovery, the story prompted Poor to ask his friend for directions for making the candy.

He's been doing it every year at Christmas ever since, making the sweets for about three dozen people. He taps trees in East Andover, and uses the syrup made from the sap.

It's a very precise process, and not one easily duplicated from Poor's "recipe."

"I do it by feel and by eye," he said. The syrup must be boiled down to about half its original volume of a quart and a half. Consistency is all important. Poor stirs it steadily, waiting for it to "sugar up."

The syrup must be thick enough so that when he pours it onto snow, it "stands," or doesn't soak into the snow. It must be stiff enough, or it won't come out of the candy molds.

Some people use a thermometer to get it right, said Poor. But with his method, "you get to taste it more," he said.

When it reaches the right consistency, he quickly pours it into rubber molds, shaped like maple leaves. (In the olden days he simply used muffin tins lined with aluminum foil.)

He lets the treats sit in the mold for about an hour. When the candy is done, Poor wraps each piece individually. He gives about a dozen to each person, boxing or bagging the candies.

Then, as with Young, it's off to distribute them to neighbors, friends and relatives.

And, he added, he too gives some to his hairdresser.

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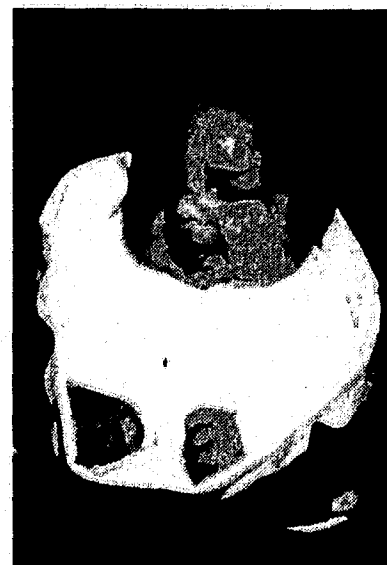
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Warm Country Gingerbread Waffles

Can be served with brown sugar, powdered sugar, hot maple syrup or berries.

2 cups flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 cup molasses
1/2 cup butter
1 1/2 teaspoons baking soda
1 cup cream or sour milk
1 egg

Sift all dry ingredients. Heat molasses and butter until butter melts. Remove from heat and beat in baking soda. Add milk and egg, then add sifted flour mixture. Bake batter in waffle iron, making sure that iron is not too hot.

Makes approximately 6 to 8 waffles, depending on size.

Christmas Table Centerpiece

You can make a beautiful centerpiece with a crystal punch bowl. Put a large candle in the center and decorate around it with pine cones and greenery, or silk poinsettia flowers. A beautiful centerpiece can be made using angel hair as a base in the punch bowl and adding an assortment of your favorite glass Christmas ornaments. The bottom plate of the punch bowl can hold an arrangement of fresh holly or mistletoe to add fragrance to the air.

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4 cups tart apples, thinly sliced
1 tablespoon instant minced onions (or to taste)
1 teaspoon salt
3/4 cup pure maple syrup
3/4 cup apple cider
1/2 cup butter, melted

Arrange layers of sweet potatoes and apples in buttered 2-quart casserole dish. Mix remaining ingredients and pour over all. Cover and bake at 350 degrees for one hour or until vegetables are tender.

Holiday Tropical Ham

A sweet crusty glazed ham for your main event.

1 fully cooked boneless whole ham
15 oz. can sliced peaches
8 oz. can crushed pineapple
2 tablespoons cornstarch
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
dash ground cloves
1/3 cup frozen orange juice concentrate, thawed
1/2 cup whole marashino cherries
1/4 cup golden raisins
handful of toasted pecans (optional)

Score ham in a diamond pattern, cutting only 1/4 inch deep. Drain peaches and pineapple; reserve syrups. Combine cornstarch and spices with syrup, orange juice concentrate and one cup water in a large saucepan. Cook and stir until bubbly, then cool while ham bakes. Bake ham according to weight. The last 30 minutes of baking, arrange peaches and pineapple on top of ham, spoon some sauce mixture on top and continue baking. Add cherries, nuts, and raisins to remaining sauce and reheat. Serve with the ham.

Cream Cheese Cupcakes

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Filling:
8 oz. cream cheese
1/3 cup sugar
1 large egg
1/8 teaspoon salt
1 cup chocolate chips

Soften cream cheese a little in microwave and combine with sugar, egg and salt, beating well. Stir in chips.

Cupcakes
1 1/2 cups flour
1 cup sugar
1/3 cup cocoa powder
1 teaspoon soda
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/3 cup oil
1 cup water
1 tablespoon vinegar
1 teaspoon vanilla

Combine ingredients in order and blend well. Fill Christmas paper cups 2/3 full. Spoon a tablespoon of cheese filling onto each cupcake. Bake at 350 degrees for about 20 minutes. Frost with your favorite cream cheese or sour cream frosting and sprinkle with chocolate chips or jimmies.



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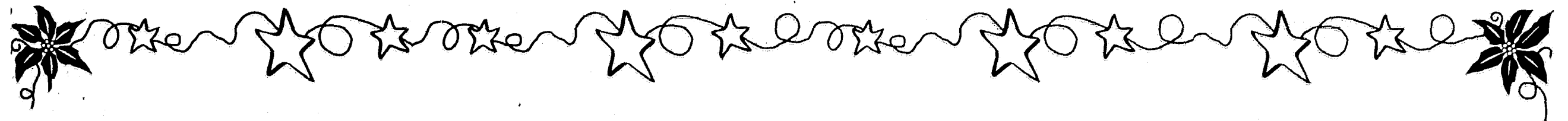
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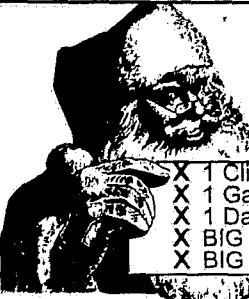
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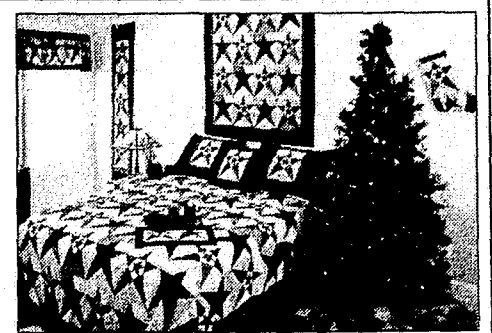
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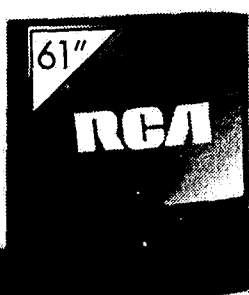
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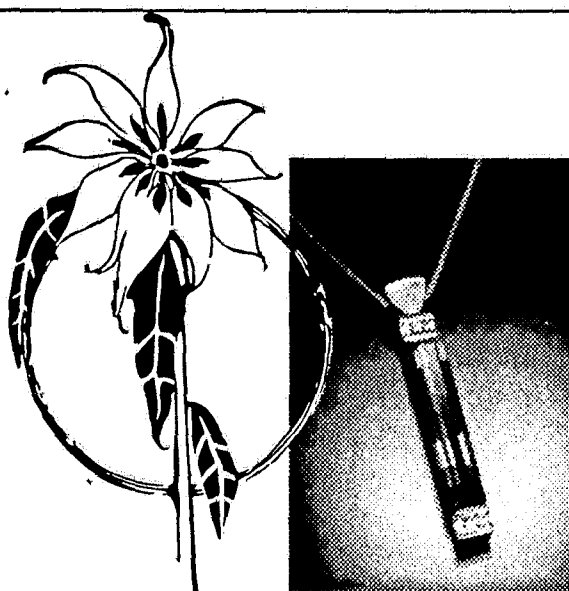
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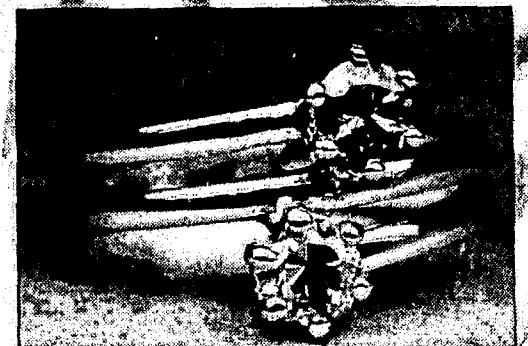
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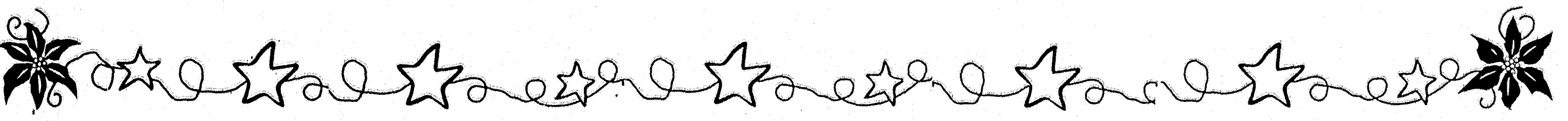


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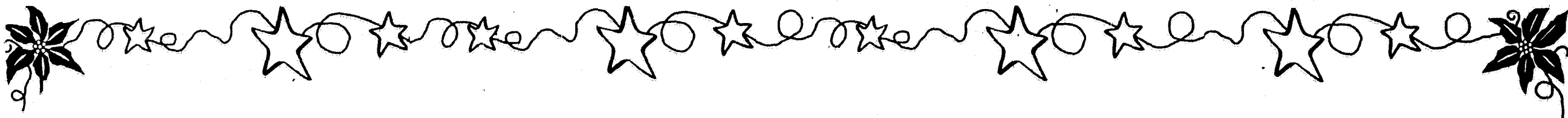
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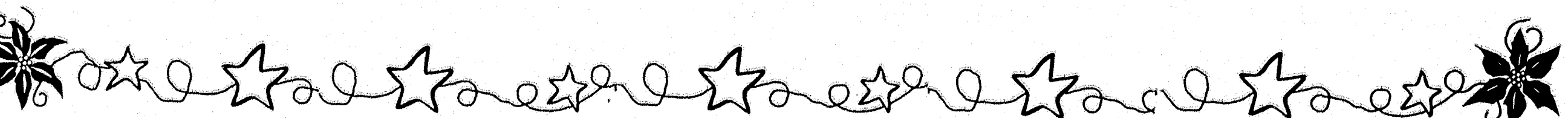
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Living Nativity on the Bethel Common, Dec. 22 at 5 p.m.
West Parish Congregational Church, Dec. 24: Candlelight service, 7 p.m.; service with Communion, 11 p.m.
Church of the Nazarene, Dec. 22: Hymn sing following the Living Nativity, with hot chocolate afterward.
Our Lady of the Snows, Dec. 24: Christmas Mass, 6 p.m.
Bethel Alliance, Dec. 22: Regular service at 10 a.m. with special Christmas music; Dec. 24: Christmas Eve service, 7 p.m., with candlelight and music.
United Methodist, Dec. 22: Regular service at 11 a.m.; Dec. 24: Christmas Eve candlelight service with music and lessons, 7 p.m.
West Bethel Union, Dec. 23: Candlelight service with readings and carols, 7 p.m.
Pleasant Valley Bible Church, Dec. 22: Regular service with a Christmas theme, 11 a.m.

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Sunday River Christian Ministry, Dec. 24: Candlelight service with Gospel singer Cynthia Libby, 7:30 p.m. at Barker Base Lodge (third floor) at Sunday River Ski Resort.

Woodstock

Bryant Pond Baptist, Dec. 22: Sunday evening service, 6 p.m., "Herald the News" Christmas Cantata; Dec. 24: Christmas Eve service, 6:30 p.m.
Seventh Day Adventist Church, Dec. 21: Christmas Cantata, "Come Let Us Worship the King," 11 a.m. Members of seven churches represented in the combined choir.

Andover

First Congregational Church, Dec. 24: Christmas Eve service with Children's Christmas Pageant, 7 p.m.
Calvary Bible Church, Dec. 22: Regular service with Christmas music and message, 10:45 a.m.

West Paris

West Paris Mission Congregational Church, Dec. 24: Christmas Eve Candlelighting Service of Lessons and Carols, 5:30 p.m.

West Paris Baptist Church, Dec. 22: Christmas Cantata, "Come Let Us Worship the King," 2 p.m. Members of seven churches represented in the combined choir. Dec. 24: Christmas Eve service, 7 p.m.

East Sumner

Congregational Church of East Sumner, Christmas Eve Candlelighting Service of Lessons and Carols, 7 p.m.

Bethel



by Virginia Keniston
 Cross Country Quilters met at the home of Lucy Nordahl on Tuesday and worked on a

"Comfort" quilt after enjoying a soup and sandwich lunch.

The Bethel area spinning group, Arches, met Wednesday at the home of Dorene Simmons on Streaked Mountain Road. A Yankee Swap was enjoyed after lunch.

Keith Clanton of Hayward, Calif., visited his parents, Norman and Sylvia Clanton, over the weekend.

Danna Nickerson celebrated her birthday last Sunday with family: Arlene Brown, Kate and Chad Dumais and George Nickerson.

Yesterday is history today is a mystery.

Dick Paine of Newmarket, N.H., spent the weekend with his parents, Mary and Bud Paine.

Shirley Lowell has moved to the Bethel House.

Harry Kuzyk underwent gall bladder surgery at Stephens Memorial Hospital in Norway.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Verrill and Mrs. and Mrs. Richard Blake attended a fundraising dinner at "The Taste of Maine" on Sunday for the Pine Tree Academy Class of 2003. They will be going to Zimbabwe, Africa, during April vacation. Faith Verrill is a senior at the academy and will be going with the group.

Diane and Brad Smith of Chestnut Knoll have just returned from their fall golf trip. The trip started in Charlotte, N.C., watching the yachts head south on the In-tercoastal, golf, and visiting many

friends and relatives from New England who had escaped the cold weather early. Highlights of the trip included a visit to old friends from England, cruising the East Coast of America on their catamaran, "Baghera," and the Space Shuttle launch in Port Canaveral (which was spectacular).

Hi and Mary Lou Berry spent last weekend in Walpole, Mass., with her daughter, Mary Lou and Roger Killelea and family. They spent the day on Saturday enjoying great-grandson "Jake," age 23 months.

This was a busy week. On Tuesday, the Rotary held a Christmas dinner for the senior citizens at the Locke Mills Legion Hall. Also on Tuesday, the Mundt-Allen Post, Vernon Street, held a dinner for the Boys and Girls State participants. On Wednesday, the Bethel Senior Citizens Club held a Christmas Party at the Bethel Inn. Thursday was public installation of officers of the Masonic Lodge with a roast beef dinner.

Tom and Suzanne Howe's son, Jason, broke his arm in a snow-board accident.

Amy Davis attended the Oxford Hills Concert on Thursday, including orchestra and chorus. Nora and Owen Davis participated in both. She also went to Lewiston to the Maine Chamber Ensemble where the Androscoggin Choral performed the "Messiah" at the Franco-American Heritage Center. Her daughter, Susan White, participated.

On Dec. 13 the Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge group played with five and one-half tables. Carol Curran and Beverly Pelletier tied for first place with Bob and Sue Crane playing North-South. East-West winners were: first, Mil Owens and Eleanor Griffin; sec-

ond, Barbara and Paul Beegel. The next game is Friday, Dec. 20 at 9 a.m. sharp. There will be no game on Dec. 27.

Hanover



by Clem
 Worcester Sympathy is extended to the family of Bill Thornton, who passed away unexpectedly

last Tuesday. Bill lived on the South Rumford Road and was a familiar sight to all as he worked in his construction and trucking business. He was a friend to all and he will be missed by all that knew him.

Richard Gallant has been released from Rumford Hospital after treatment. He is recuperating at home.

It has been reported that Marjorie Burnham has completed her therapy and continues recuperating at home.

Hanover Community Neighborhood Watch met Monday at the Hanover Town Office. The program consisted of presentations by Forest Ranger Arthur Lavoie and Forester Merle Ring from the Maine Forest Service. Both work out of Forest Service Headquarters for this area at West Paris. Ranger Lavoie described his job of fire prevention, checking logging operations, tree theft and assisting local fire departments with forest fire suppression. Forester Ring described his job as helping landowners with logging operation and tree estimating and the Tree Growth program. Questions were answered from the group. Some of those attending did not realize that a fire permit is needed for burning brush and clean wood and many items, such as cardboard, cannot be burned because the smoke is toxic. Fire permits can be obtained from Chris Howe at Gordie Howe's Store.

Also assisting at the meeting was State Trooper James Nolan. There will be an announcement as to the date of the next meeting. Anyone that would like to fill out a questionnaire relating to Hanover Community Neighborhood Watch may pick one up at the Town Office or at Gordie Howe's Store.

Sunday River Valley



by Rockie Graham
 It is 3 p.m. and already getting dark. I am still at school to attend my last class on ESL, or

second language learners. I will be glad when it is over because I do not like staying late.

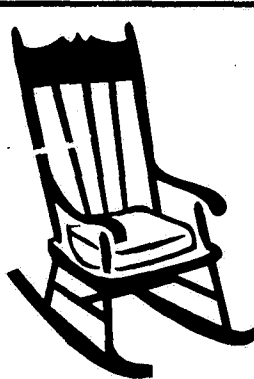
I have hopefully recovered from whatever ailed me and will be back to normal soon. This seems to be the year of the virus for me. We shall see from now on. I want to get back to exercising, soon. Perhaps that is why I am ill, I get little exercise and not much fresh air.

Last week, two weeks ago really, we attended a community reception at Sunday River Ski Area. We learned a lot. Sunday River Inn is open for the season (that is probably old news now, sorry).

Fred Garbo was there to give a plug for the Black Diamond Series. I attended several last year and it was great fun. Look in your mail or in the newspapers for the schedule. There were several founding fathers in attendance. Howard Cole and Mike Thurston were both there.

A change this year is that Marvin Collins will be head of operations. Good luck, Marvin. There are other changes such as restaurants, guns and towers, but you'll have to go and find that out for yourself.

Bethel Area Poets will not be holding a reading this month. Look for us in January. Any questions, give us a call.



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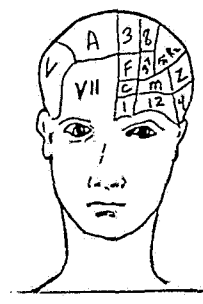
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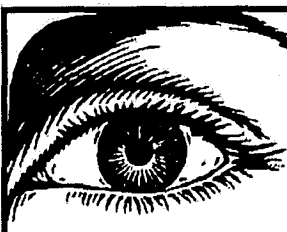
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The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

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Is holiday stress starting to wear you down? Do you toss and turn at night worrying about what to get for whom and where the money will come from to get it? Do you feel your blood pressure rise the minute you enter an over crowded department store to do your shopping. Do you plan to do a lot of Christmas baking and just don't know when you will have the time to do it. Do you simultaneously look forward and dread Christmas at the same time?

If you are experiencing any one or all of these symptoms, then you are suffering from "I can't remember what Christmas is all about" syndrome. You are not alone because most other adults are suffering from it too, myself included.

However, there is a very large segment of the population that doesn't experience any of the aforementioned symptoms and that is the age 2 to 12 group. The teenage segment of the population has fewer symptoms than the adults, but they are experiencing some stress and are a little more jaded about the season than they were when they were younger.

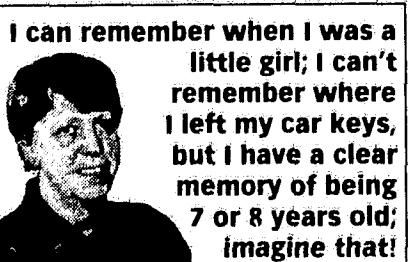
It is true that the little ones don't have to worry about shopping, wrapping, decorating, baking and the time and money to pull it all off. But, it's a lot more than the absence of responsibility that keeps them symptom free. They are symptom free because they believe. They believe in Santa Claus, they believe in Christmas carols and they believe in Christmas magic.

I can remember when I was a little girl; I can't remember where I left my car keys, but I have a clear memory of being 7 or 8 years old; imagine that! Anyway, I do remember being that young and being in a Sunday school Christmas play as an angel, of all things. I remember believing in every Christmas hymn we sang

and I remember believing that I was having the most magical time of my life.

All of the kids, though giddy with excitement, were all happy and helping each other with wings and halos and robes and sharing their hopes of what Santa would bring. Even my brother and I were getting along, an unusual event.

The flowers and garland and the candles and poinsettias made the church look enchanted and beautiful. The pews were full of smiling and proud parents. I remember the



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butterflies in my stomach as the time for my speaking part approached. I really wasn't concerned that I would forget my line; it was only one word, "Behold!" but the very idea that I would have to step forward in front of all those people made me feel like throwing up.

As we were on the last verse of "Away in a Manger" and just before my one-word performance, I felt my cardboard halo slip down over my head and I could feel some of the glitter land on my cheek and nose.

I was sure I would not only throw up, but I would also sneeze glitter all over the stage and then I would faint and probably pee my pants in the process. I was contemplating the very worst when I felt a gentle nudge in my back right between my tinfoil wings. It was my brother's way of telling me it was time for me to step forward and say "Behold".

I took a step with shaking knees, my sweaty hands, palms

together in prayer, glitter from my tilted halo fluttering on my eye lashes and then I caught sight of someone in the congregation way in the back. It was my father. I had never seen my father in church before, in fact, I wasn't even sure he knew where the church was. When my mother brought my brother and me to church earlier in the evening, my father sure wasn't with us.

But, there he was, smiling at me from the back of the church. "Behold!" I said in a crystal clear and very loud voice, and I wanted to add "Daddy is here," but didn't.

I don't remember anything else about that particular Christmas, but I do remember my father smiling at me from the back of the church.

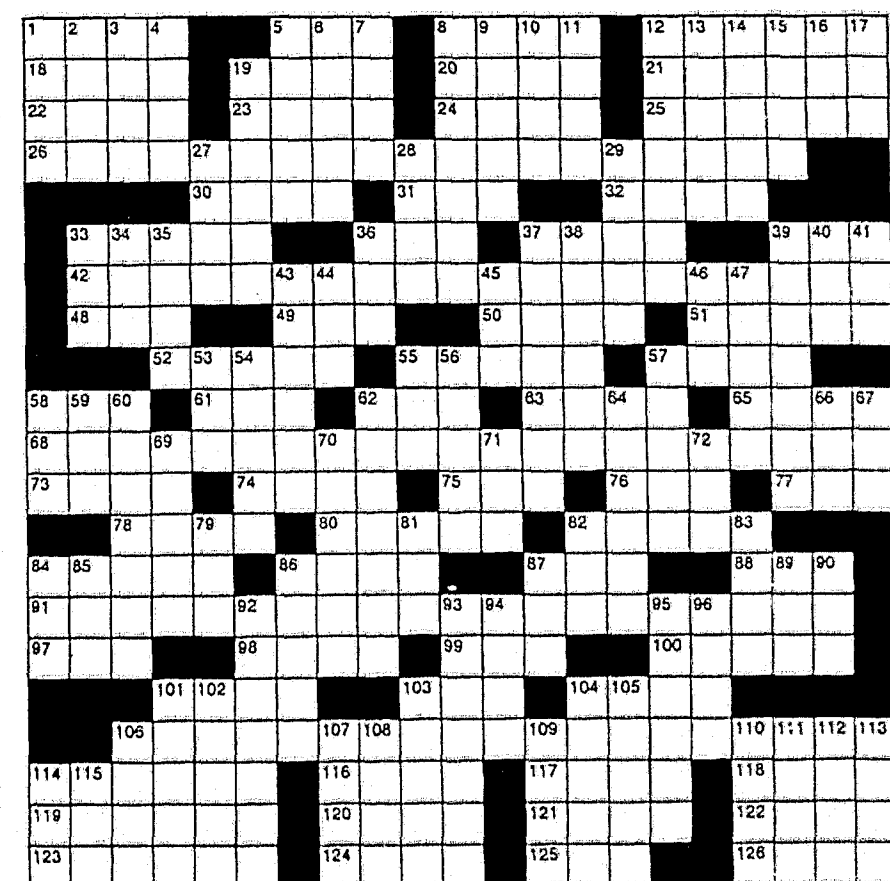
After the service was over and we were walking home the snow was falling lightly and resembled the glitter on my eyelashes. My father picked me up in his "Big Daddy" arms and told me that I was his special angel. I believed with all my heart right at that moment in all the Christmas magic in the world and my young mind clearly understood at that time that it wasn't just about Santa Claus, presents and candy canes. It wasn't about Christmas parties and school vacation. It was about love.

So what if you don't really know what to give to whom? Who cares if your batch of Christmas cookies burned? What difference does it make if you can't buy everything you hoped to? The way I see it, we should just not let "I can't remember what Christmas is all about" syndrome control us. We should all take some time to think about all those little angels with crooked halos and BEHOLD the Magic of Christmas.

A very Merry Christmas to all and to all peace, love and joy.

Super Crossword

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still stuck in Michigan because of the storm last weekend. I hope she makes it home for Christmas; maybe Santa will give her a lift in his sleigh.

Condolences are expressed to the family of Augusta Yates, who died on Sunday, Dec. 15, as a result of a car accident last Thursday, Dec. 12.

Saturday, Dec. 21, is the shortest day of the year, and the first day of winter. After Saturday the days will start getting longer, and as for it being the first day of winter, it feels like winter has been around for months already. In August I always say I'll never complain about the cold, and in December I always say I'll never complain about the heat; people who know me will be the first to tell you that I just like to complain, and that's the truth.

It seems that a young couple, fairly new to town, had some trouble with a couple of 300-pound pigs last week. If you hear any rumors that the Canton Police were involved, don't believe them. The young couple is really quite relieved that those darn pigs are now history and will soon reside in the freezer. Guess they didn't see Charlotte's Web. FMI, ask Jen at Andover General.

Now I'm going to go on another tirade, so get ready. I happened to read some letters to the editor (in another paper) concerning the Harry Potter books. It seems that some people, and I guess they have the right, don't like them, they consider them dangerous to young minds because of witchcraft and magic. That, in my humble opinion is okay, just don't read the books if you don't like them, but never, and I mean never, burn a book or take away someone else's freedom to make up their own mind about what to read or what not to read. Express your opinion, but don't ever, ever burn a book. I don't care what the book is. Whenever I hear of anyone burning books, all I can think of is Hitler, and look what happened there. The Potter books are pure fantasy, fiction, wonderful escapism, and in my humble opinion not dangerous unless eaten. Fantasy is supposed to be something out of the ordinary. Fantasy books are supposed to take you away from the humdrum everyday boring life you lead and that's what the Potter books do. If you are afraid that your child might believe that they are true, not know the difference between fiction and non-fiction, then talk to the child about make believe. What would childhood be without make believe? I wonder if these book burners burned the "Cat In The Hat," because believing that cats can talk and wear hats could be dangerous, too. OK, end of tirade.

It seems that I have made a very grave mistake, and I want to take this chance to apologize. I didn't know the exact number of children from Andover who attend SAD44 schools, and I told a reporter the wrong number. I still don't know the right number, but it is more than a hundred, probably about a hundred forty or thereabouts. Sorry, Sid, my mistake.

The Book of the Week is "Dead Aim" by author Thomas Perry. As

usual you can borrow it from the Andover Public Library.

Since my next column won't be published until after Christmas, I would like to take this chance to wish you all a very Merry Christmas. I hope Santa is generous, your Christmas dinner includes Plum Pudding, and all your wishes come true. See 'ya.

Bryant Pond



by
Alice Hoyt
Judith Grover
Tent 17 met at
the home of
Alice Hoyt on
Monday evening. Ten mem-

bers were present. A meeting and Christmas party was held. Sally delivered the gifts to Togus for patients and the gift shop. A thank you was received from them. The Thanksgiving basket was reported on. Thirty-nine calls were made. Marybeth received the mystery package. Next meeting is Jan. 13 for installation, with a potluck supper at 5:30 p.m. A card was sent to Edith Hathaway, who celebrated her 95th birthday on Sunday. A sympathy card was sent to Gail Butterfield. Christmas cards are being sent to members.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday School Fellowship time at 8:55 a.m., Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship at 9:15 a.m., Morning Worship at 10:30 a.m., choir practice at 4:30 p.m. and Evening Service at 6 p.m. Wednesday night is Patch the Pirate Club and Prayer Meeting. Dec. 22 is the Christmas Musical - Herald the News will be the evening service. Dec. 24 will be a Christmas Eve Service.

Larry Billings has pretty well recovered from his broken arm and should be able to drive again soon. He found it very difficult being more or less housebound for so long but appreciated how much his mother helped him with things he couldn't do while he had only one hand.

To each and everyone a Blessed Merry Christmas.

South Woodstock



by
Andrea Wing
Cleo Ryerson
held a Thanks-
giving supper
with 27 family
members enjoy-
ing the meal.

Lonnie and Keith Hadley stopped by late and Matthew Ryerson came after work. Howard Kimball and son, Tyler, stayed overnight with Troy and Alex Ryerson. After the meal was over, the six great-grandchildren had fun playing with

toys, coloring books, great-grandmother's stuffed animals and watching videos. The older ones shared photos they had taken on a trip in September when they went to Mexico. Everyone had a great time.

The 70th reunion of the Woodstock Forestdale Church School was well attended. A lot of memories were shared with former classmates and friends. Peggy Roberts called me after the reunion and told me what a wonderful time she had seeing some of her old schoolmates and friends.

Tommy Poland has returned home after spending a couple of days in the hospital having surgery. We hope she has a speedy recovery.

We were sorry to hear that Wayne Lawrence has been in the hospital. I hear he's home now. Hopefully, he's feeling better each day.

Richard Wing had to have a tooth pulled this past week. Most dentists do not pull teeth now, so we had to go to Auburn to a specialist to get it pulled.

I've been busy doing Christmas shopping every chance I get. I purchased a new set of scales for me. I've lost about 43 pounds this past year and want to lose more. I hope this might help.

Quote of the Week: "I've learned that you should show respect for everyone who works for a living, regardless of how trivial their job."

Greenwood City



by
Rena Curtis
Another week
has gone and
it's still hanging
cold. My water
pipe froze twice
lately, but Al-

bert Curtis Jr. thawed it out for me. It was down to 13 below here Tuesday morning.

Found out who owned the dog that was running at large. It was Jill Irons. I hope she comes and gets it soon so I can let my little dog out.

Ann Payne went down to see her aunt, Colista Morgan. She also attended a meeting while she was there, which they have every few months.

David Holt of Norway and Ann

Payne from town had dinner Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonas Holt.

As Albert Curtis Sr. was going to work one morning, a big doe came out and stood right in front of him. He had to stop, then she made a move and five this-year fawns came out and went across the road. Then after they got over on the other side, she left. He said it was a pretty sight.

Marie Curtis and I went shopping, as she is having her side of the family (Briggs) over Saturday for their Christmas tree. Then Sunday we will be going to Freeport for the Curtis family tree.

Albert Sr. and Marie Curtis went shopping down to Augusta one day and found some good buys.

That's it for this week. Have a safe and happy week.

West Paris



by
Miriam Inman
The Goodwill
Fellowship
Christmas party
was held at the
home of Marta
Clements on

Thursday evening with 12 present. The gifts were passed around by the Christmas Story. When the story ended the gift that was in your lap was yours to open. Does that make sense to you? It really is fun. Several kinds of refreshments and sherbet punch and coffee were served.

Sunday night was the annual Christmas supper at the Goodwill Hall of the Universalist Church followed by the Christmas tree in the Sanctuary, with Mr. and Mrs. Claus making an appearance to pass gifts to the little ones, which they really enjoyed - even though there were some a little apprehensive. Jim Burke provided organ music for the sing-a-long of Christmas songs.

The Historical Society members gathered with Ted and Betty Jones at their home on Monday evening with 17 members present. A variety of "yummies" were enjoyed with punch and coffee. The Christmas gifts were opened as one's number came up. It was a very enjoyable time. Their home is so beautifully decorated for the season.

I guess the next big event is going to be Christmas Day. Are you going to be ready?

West Paris



by
Bertha DeHaas
On Wednesday
morning at 10
a.m., Dec. 11, a
group of very
concerned
citizens met

with the liquor commissioner, assistant secretary of state, assistant attorney general, lawyers for both sides and the selectmen and women for the town of West Paris for an extremely important hearing on a liquor license appeal application for the Mighty Stallion at Trap Corner. We who would speak were sworn in. Mr. Marin's lawyer was first on the agenda, questioning his client about pertinent information, followed by cross-examination by our lawyer.

Next, our lawyer, Mr. Craig Cunningham, called selectman Toby Whitman to explain all of the events as they have happened to date.

Next to be called was our town clerk, Lisa Palmer, who explained her duties and the events that had transpired in the Town Office and her feelings on this and other events that have taken place recently.

We then broke for a 15-minute break after which Mrs. Jane Perham of Perham's of Maine gave testimony pertinent to the current situation (i.e. loud music, shouting, teen smoking in the parking lot, etc.).

Mrs. Sheila Delameter of the Enchanted Florist was next to testify about current happenings and how severely busy Trap Corner is and how much of a danger a business like this could be.

Carmen Hadley next spoke of a nephew injured at age 6 by a drunk driver and still paralyzed from the waist down at age 22, also of what happened at a previous meeting.

Roland Delameter of Enchanted

Florist spoke of the different applications presented, the discrepancies in some of them and various incidents that have taken place from July through now.

Heather Westleigh, representative of REACH, spoke on behalf of someone involved in a couple of incidents that took place and implored that they be looked into.

John Gauthy ("Gootch"), the plumbing inspector, read a communication from the Department of Human Services regarding history of use of the building, its restrictions, capacity and permits for the same. He is the plumbing inspector and code enforcement officer.

Bertha DeHaas spoke briefly about her feelings about this situation and concurred with her fellow townspeople in their assessment of this whole situation.

The meeting was closed by Holly Pomerleau, assistant hearings officer. The liquor commissioner has 60 days to render a decision.

This is a really busy season for everyone - shopping, wrapping, cooking, Christmas card writing, rehearsals for concerts, cantatas and Christmas Eve services.

At West Paris we have been rehearsing since the first Wednesday in October for the Christmas Cantata, "Come Let Us Worship the King," a very beautiful work of art. There are members of seven churches represented in this combined choir. The first presentation will be at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 21, at the Seventh Day Adventist Church in Perkins Valley, Woodstock. The second presentation will be at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 22, at the West Paris Baptist Church on Church Street.

Christmas Eve Services will be as follows: Mission Congregational Church Service at 5 p.m. at their church on Church Street; West Paris Baptist Church and North Paris Federated Church at 7 p.m. at the Baptist Church on Church Street; East Summer Congregational Church Christmas Eve Service at 7 p.m. at their church on Main Street, East Summer.

Merry, safe and healthy Christmas to you all.

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East Stoneham



by Eleanor Nelson
Hi readers.
Ryan Cote and friend, Sandra Navaro from Santa Fe, N.M. were in the area recently and visited his grandparents, Lois and Eddie Niemi. They had a nice visit.

Remember, people, Christmas Eve Services will be held at 5 p.m. at the Stoneham Church on Dec. 24. Regular Sunday worship is held at the North Waterford Church during the winter months at 10 a.m.

Is everybody all ready for Christmas? I never am really, but try and remember the real meaning of Christmas and the joy it has brought over the years.

Sixty-six people turned out for the Oxford County Republican meeting on Tuesday night, Dec. 10. This was held at the Norway Congregational Church with a 5:30 p.m. social hour, 6:30 p.m. wonderful ham supper put on by the Hannibal Hamlin Women's Club and a meeting followed.

Paul Billings opened the meeting about 7 p.m. with Kathy Watson, chairman of Maine GOP, as speaker. Becky Kendall spoke briefly about her invitation and visit to Washington, D.C. and meeting with President George Bush and wife, Laura. She said it was very exciting to be there with about 75 other people and talking about administration, etc. Secretary and treasurer's reports were given and accepted. At the meeting, I met and sat with some interesting people from one of the other towns. Thirteen towns were represented. The next meeting will be held at

the Grange Hall in Woodstock in January. At this meeting there were two candidates for register of probate to be nominated on and Tom Winsor's name was chosen to be sent to the governor. It took a while to get the voting process down with 39 eligible to vote. The nomination was due to Ted Tracy's resignation. Several elected candidates and officials spoke briefly.

By the way, it isn't everybody that gets a Christmas card from the President of the United States, but I did yesterday. Today, I got the card holder down from the attic, which has room for about 54 cards on Santa's reins to his reindeer. Anyway, we wish you all out there to have a Merry Christmas and Happy and Healthy New Year.

Yesterday, Katie had company. It was her granddaughter, and she was just the cutest little chocolate lab puppy you ever saw. She was so sweet, furry and cuddly. Thanks, Beverly, for bringing her down to visit and maybe she can come down again sometime.

I better go and mail this now, as a storm is predicted for tomorrow. See you next week.

From the

Bethel Senior Citizens

The Bethel Senior Citizens Club held their Christmas Party Dec. 11 at The Bethel Inn with 58 members present. Music was furnished by Richard Conway from Milan, N.H., and was enjoyed by all.

The next meeting will be Jan. 8 at The Sudbury Inn. Price of dinner will be \$7.50.

Club dues are also due at the January meeting.

The club voted to give the Bethel Rotary Club \$100 for Christmas for Children.

December birthdays are: Musa Brown, Bertha Foster, Richard Hosterman, Mary Paine, Sarah Stevens, Edna York and Jane Young.

From the

Bethel Rotary Club

Recently, Mike Cooper addressed Rotary on behalf of the Grafton Loop Coalition that is a diverse group comprising of such persons/organizations as AMC, Hancock, Outward Bound, Sunday River, and MeadWestvaco. Their objective is to build a 42-mile hiking trail of a simple footpath in Grafton as a loop trail to alleviate some of the pressure on the AMT.

In 1997, Bob Stewart conceived this venture and it is now a model for public access on private land. This concept recognizes that recreation and timber management and their individual practicalities can exist on the same property.

In 1998, permission was obtained to begin construction. 1999 saw the first seed grant money come in and designs. The first five miles of construction were completed in 2000. And, today, half the trail is open with the grand opening scheduled on National Trails Day in the spring. It is hoped that the trail will be completed in 2004-2005.

The funding has come from numerous sources including the Maine Recreation Trails program, Sunday River, and Robert Stewart. It is estimated that the trail cost is \$8,500 per mile.

Recently, the club celebrated its annual Senior Luncheon with all the holiday fixings. Over 140 seniors shared in the fun at the Locke

Mills American Legion Hall.

Tickets are still available for the Ski Day to Eliminate Polio — they make great stocking stuffers. Sunday River Resort will offer Rotarians and their invited guests a day of skiing to benefit Rotary's International Polio Eradication Campaign. Tickets must be ordered in advance and purchased through a Rotarian or Rotary Club. Tickets are \$40 each and will be good only for Friday, Jan. 24, 2003. Sunday River will be contributing 100 percent of the ticket price to the Polio eradication effort. For more information, please contact Cynthia Moran-Laux or Dave Preble.

Happy and safe holidays to all.

From the

Mundt-Allen Post

On Tuesday, Dec 10th, the members of Mundt-Allen Post and Unit celebrated with the students whom the post and unit sponsored to attend Boys State and Girls State last June. Sylvia Clanton of the post organized the get-together. Some 48 members and guests assembled for a dinner to honor the students and their families. Among the guests were Jeri Greenwell, American Legion Auxiliary National Legislative Vice Chairman and Gene Bickford, the Maine State American Legion 2nd Vice Commander. The dinner was an extraordinary spread, complete with strawberry shortcake dessert, catered by Sandy Wheeler. Quite a few people went back through the serving line for seconds, a testament to the quality of the food.

Following dinner, Don Feeney called the "honoree" students to the front of the room: Patricia Bean, a

Gould student from Farmington, and Lauren Hart, Sarah Gamble, and William Murphy, all of Bethel. Don then put them all at ease by asking each student leading questions about their views on the Girls/Boys State program; questions like, "What was the most valuable experience that you went through at Girls State?" All the students were very positive in their feelings about the experiences. Sarah Gamble was honored to be selected as the "most outstanding student at Girls State," and was offered the chance to attend Girls Nation, in Washington, D.C. William Murphy has also been honored with a nomination to the Air Force Academy, tendered by Senator Susan Collins.

Everyone in attendance enjoyed the program, and many stood around after the closing and talked with the students, every student a tribute to the values the American Legion and Legion Auxiliary endeavor to promote. If these students represent the leaders in our future, we are truly in good hands.

From the

Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce

A reminder to all our friends and members to come to the Open House/Business After Hours at Mt. Abram Family Resort tonight, Thursday, Dec. 19, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Loose Boots Lounge in their main lodge.

Many thanks to the Bethel Inn and Country Club for hosting our December Community Networking Breakfast and for providing a room for Congressman-elect Mike Michaud, who was our guest at the meeting.

This Saturday is our final "free"

horse-drawn wagon rides for the Country Christmas season. If you would like a ride, meet the wagon in front of the Bethel Fire Station from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday is the Living Nativity, a wonderful holiday tradition here in Bethel. Many thanks to the Bethel Alliance Church for coordinating it and to the Bethel Rotary Club for helping with the setup and takedown of the set.

We are well underway in our planning for the 2003 Bethel WinterFest, scheduled from Jan. 31 to Feb. 9. The first weekend is the third annual Antique Snowmobile Show and Grooming Rodeo and Radar Run, all held at the Bethel Airport. Thanks to Oxford networks for their sponsorship support of this great event and to Rocky Freda for his coordination effort. Saturday, Feb. 1, will also be the third annual Androscoggin River Polar Plunge, held at Bethel Outdoor Adventures at noon. This year's event will benefit two great "causes": the Bethel Fire Department's Rescue Boat Fund and the Telstar High School Baseball Team's spring trip to a tournament in Orlando, Fla. Both the baseball team and the fire department members will be seeking sponsor pledges. Please consider supporting these efforts and coming to watch all these participants "plunge" for great causes. The second weekend, on Saturday, Feb. 8, is the third annual Great Snowbox Derby, held at the Bethel Inn. The co-chairs, Steve Wight and Seabury Lyon, are seeking "mentors" who are willing to lead a team of 3rd, 4th or 5th graders from the area elementary schools. Please see one of them if you are interested in helping with this great community event.

The chamber staff and Board of Directors would like to wish everyone the happiest of holidays and a joyous 2003.

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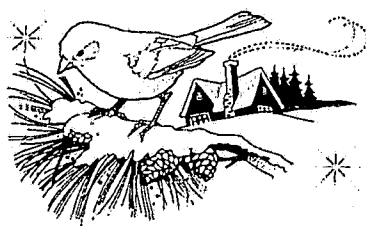


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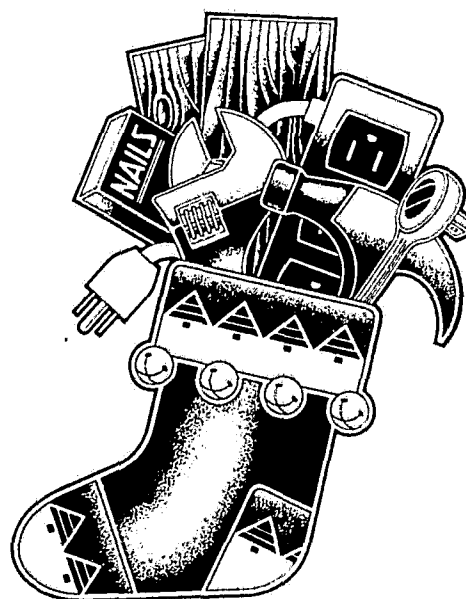
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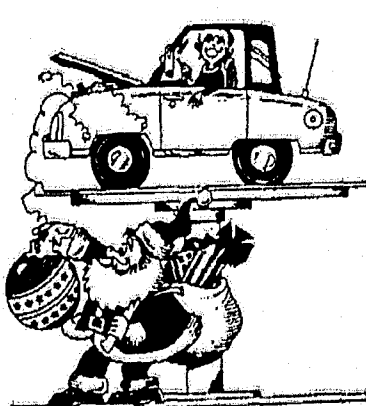
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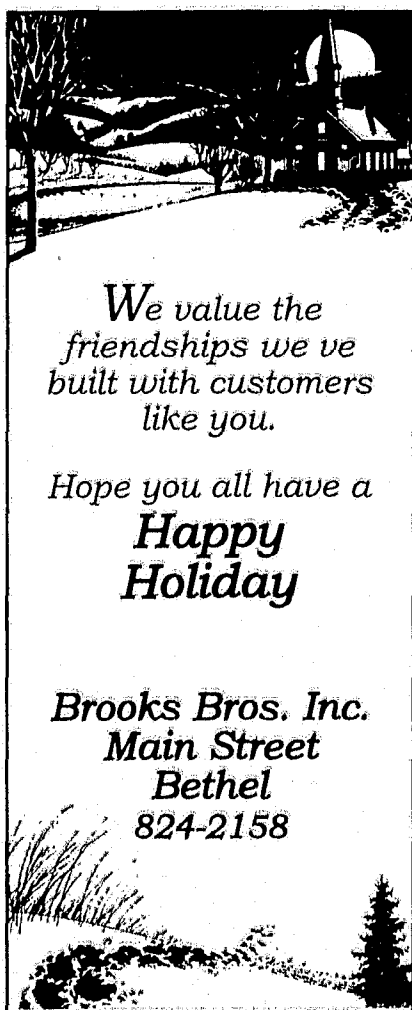


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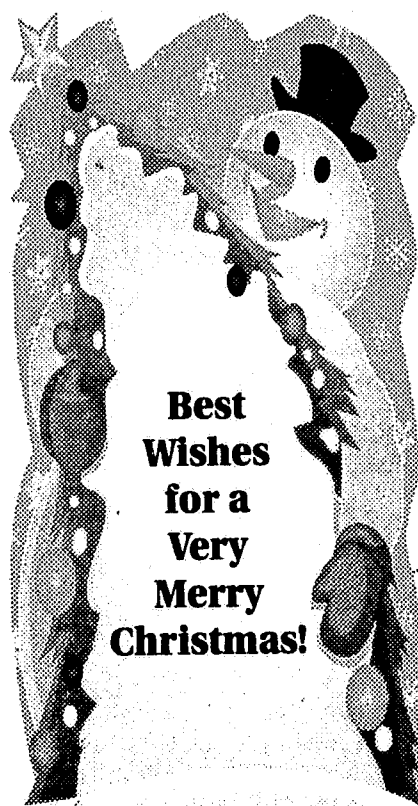
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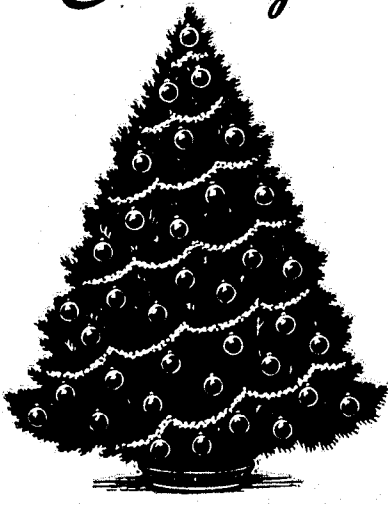


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From the **Bethel Historical Society's Regional History Center**

The fifth annual New Year's Bethel celebration, sponsored by the Bethel Historical Society with invaluable assistance from the Mahoosuc Arts Council, the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, Bethel Inn, Gould Academy, and the Sunday River Ski Resort, will be held on Dec. 31, beginning at 6 p.m. Featured will be Maine humor, folk music, vaudeville, Dixieland jazz, and barbershop singing. A lighted vehicle parade, horse-drawn wagon rides, marshmallow toasting, and fireworks will be among the other attractions during the evening. Tickets (\$10 adults, \$8 for students 5 to 18) are available at the Bethel Citizen, Maine Line Products both in Bethel and Locke Mills, the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, and the society's museum shop. For further information, please call the society office at 824-2908 or (800) 824-2910.

Sponsors are still being sought for the event or a venue. More than \$3,000 has been raised from more than 50 individuals and businesses. Among the most recent sponsors are the following: Chadbourne Tree Farms, Bethel; Barbara Douglass, Bethel; Irving Oil Corporation, Seabury and Sharon Lyon, Bethel; Rebel Restaurant, Bethel; Riverbend Associates, Rumford; Smith Reuter Lull Architects, P.A., Lewiston; John Shorb, Bethel. Anyone wishing to become a sponsor should send a tax-deductible contribution to the society at P.O. Box 12, Bethel, ME 04217-0012.

More than a thousand members strong, the Bethel Historical Society, founded in 1966, is western Maine's largest and most comprehensive full-time historical agency, dedicated to collecting, preserving, and interpreting the regional past for present and future generations. For over thirty-five years, the soci-



THE PRIME TIME SKI CLUB from Sunday River, a club for skiers 50 and over, met in September to plan activities for the 2002-03 ski season. Pictured here at the home of Marian and Dave Carlyle are (standing, from left): Keith Brown, Pat Brewster, Dave Carlyle, Sam Just, Suzie DuBois, Charlie Tebo, Anne Doherty, Cil Rice, Dick Patterson, Bob Rice and Robert Fleury. Seated: Carol Brewster, Paula Gross, Doris Adams, Rita Patterson, Sally Ann Clark, Shirley Mansir, Joyce Brown, Susan Tebo, Marian Carlyle and Herb Gross. Prime Timers ski together weekdays and hold various social functions during the ski season. Further information about Prime Time, and a schedule of events can be found on the Prime Time Web site: www.megalink.com/~herbpaul. (Photo by Bill Doherty)

benefiting from these grant monies are those towns in SAD21, SAD43, SAD44, and Peru. If anyone has any questions or comments, please call RVHCC at 364-7408 M-F or e-mail at rvhcc@gwi.net.

From the **Region 9 School of Applied Technology**

In coming weeks the Region 9 School of Applied Technology will be highlighting some of its programs in The Bethel Citizen. It is our hope that we can increase awareness throughout the community regarding the types of opportunities waiting for students at Region 9. If you have any questions about our programs, please don't hesitate to call us at 364-3764, or to speak with your guidance counselor at your high school or middle school to arrange a time for a representative from Region 9 to meet with you.

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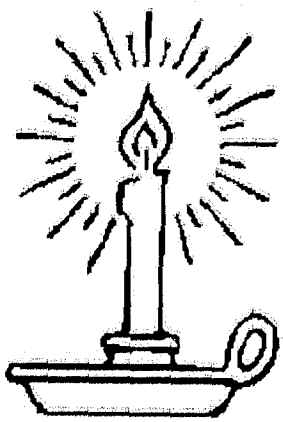
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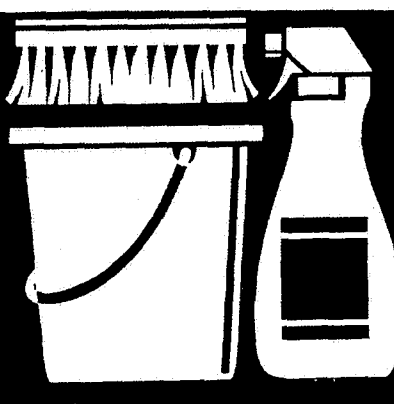
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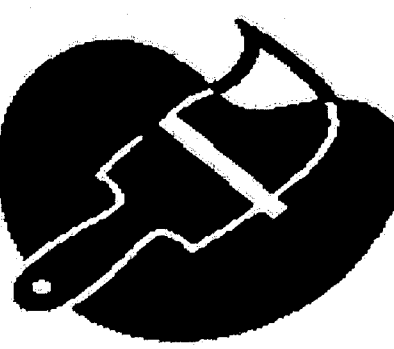
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Students currently enrolled in the C.N.A. program from Telstar Regional High School: Alexis Grover, Jessica Howard, Adam Lovejoy and Chris Withy.

Sally Arsenault of Hanover is instructor of the C.N.A. Program. She is currently in her fourth year of teaching the program. Arsenault earned her high school diploma from Rumford High School. During her high school years, she also obtained her C.N.A. certification through Rumford Hospital and continued to work at Rumford Hospital as a C.N.A. while attending St. Mary's School of Nursing. After the intensive three-year program at St. Mary's, she earned her Registered Nurse license and continued to work at Rumford Hospital as an R.N. for another seventeen years. During this time, she worked in various medical departments including the medical surgical floor and operating room, with most of her time spent in the ICU unit. She also did supervisory work at this time and continues to work per diem for Rumford Hospital as time and need permit.

Arsenault joined the staff at the Region 9 School of Applied Technology in 1999, becoming full-time and sole instructor of the Certified Nursing Assistant program. "Teaching has been an exciting career change for me. I am able to continue working in my hometown community, use my nursing skills, and hopefully positively affect the lives of others. I am enjoying the school environment, and teaching others my love for nursing."

News and photos from clubs and organizations

The Citizen welcomes submissions of news items and photographs from local clubs and organizations. The deadline for clubs and organizational items is noon Monday, but earlier submission is appreciated.

All news articles should be typed or printed legibly, and include the name and daytime telephone number of a contact person.

Submissions can be dropped off at The Citizen office (behind the Bethel Town Office) or mailed to P.O. Box 109, Bethel, ME, 04217. During non-business hours, items can be placed in the mailbox outside our office. For further information, call 824-2444. News and photos can also be submitted by e-mail: news@bethelcitizen.com.

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School Sports



KEEP YOUR DISTANCE—Telstar's Casey Fleet dribbles the ball and fends off a Monmouth Academy player in Tuesday night's game. The Rebels won, 73-42, giving them their first victory of the season.

High School Boys' Varsity Basketball

Telstar 73, Monmouth 42; Dec. 16—Telstar's Kinsey Durgin had 12 points and Wade Osgood 10. Other scorers: Casey Fleet (8); August Reiss (7); Josh Longway (6); Kurt Wight (6); Jordi Walker (5); Ian Andrews (4). Osgood, Walker Fleet, Reiss and Caddigan each had three pointers.

Wiscasset 85, Telstar 67; Dec. 13—Telstar's Wade Osgood scored 23 points and Kinsey Durgin 19. Other scorers: Casey Fleet (10); Kurt Wight (6); Sean Caddigan (4); Alex Best (3); Jordi Walker (2); Ian Andrews (2). Durgin had two three-pointers and Osgood and Fleet one each.

High School Boys' J.V. Basketball

Wiscasset 54, Telstar 49; Dec. 13—Telstar's Sean Caddigan scored 19 points and Josh Longway 16. Other scorers: Stephen McDonnell (4); Chris Estes (4); Kevin Zinchuk; Blake Conrad (2); Alex Helms (1). "Caddigan and Longway had excellent all-around games," said coach Alec Newell. "The team played well against a taller team. Our press worked well, giving us some good opportunities, but we just came up a bit short."

Mt. Valley 69, Telstar 49; Dec. 10—Telstar's Sean Caddigan had 10 points. Other scorers: Chris Estes (9); Josh Longway (8); Alex Helms (4); Blake Conrad (4); Stephen McDonnell (4); Kevin Zinchuk (3); Terry Collins (2); Matt Mills (2); Curtis Hughes (2); and Casey Ryerson (1). "We played Mt. Valley tough for three quarters, but the home team eventually pulled away in the last period," said coach Alec Newell. "The boys hung tough for most of the game, but Mt. Valley's depth was a bit too much."

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Funding for the following students is made possible through the generous donations of many to the Charles Cutting Endowment of the Andover Educational Fund to students domiciled in the town of Andover. We accept students who choose any accredited program that encourages employability such as NOVA training, classes offered at the ITV sites, as well as the traditional two- and four-year degree programs. Funding from the Cutting Endowment will serve the student for up to four years from the date of completion of high school.

Students who are currently served by the Cutting Endowment include: Evan Lincoln, University of Northwestern Ohio, Lima, Ohio; Erika Davis, University of Maine, Orono; Michael Sabin, Western Washington University, Bellingham, Wash.; Christina Downs, Central Maine Technical College, Auburn; Benjamin Sabin, Occidental College, Los Angeles, Calif.; Lynsey Brown, Mt. Ida College, Newton, Mass.; Maria Cornwell, University of Missouri at Columbia, Mo.; Jonathan Downs, Maine Maritime Academy, Castine; Denise Scotti, Rutgers University, Camden, N.J.; Darin Morse, Northeastern University, Boston, Mass.; Eric Swasey, University of Southern Maine, Portland; Fred Emerson, Albany Medical College, Albany, N.Y.; Darcy Morse, University of Maine, Orono; Karen Thurston, Husson College, Bangor; Casey Brown, Colby College, Waterville; Kier Simmons, University of Maine, Farmington; Amanda Davis, University of Maine, Farmington; Katrina Burgi, University of Maine, Orono; Forest Fyrborg, University of Maine, Farmington; and Jennifer Fyrborg, University of Southern Maine, Portland.

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THURSDAY EVENING DECEMBER 19, 2002										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	'70s Show	'70s Show	WWE Smackdown!				News	Frasier	Frasier	Ent. Tonight
(32)	Rudolph-Frosty		Movie: "The Preacher's Wife"						700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Friends	Scrubs	Will-Grace	Good Mm	ER		News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Dinotopia		Instant Classic Bloopers		Primetime Thursday		News	
(10)	News-Lehrer		Maine	Made In	Frontline				Charlie Rose	
(22)	NFL Pro Bowl Selection		NHL Hockey: Stars at Red Wings or Bruins at Capitals				Sportscenter			
(34)	Real TV	Real TV	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Movie: "Wayne's World 2"					Star Trek: Next Gener.	
(13)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	Survivor: Thailand				Survivor-Reunion		News	
(41)	Tailgate	Last Word	Best Damn Sports Show Period				Best Damn Sports Show Period			
(15)	Real Sports		Inside the NFL	Movie: "Pavement"			Catch Me If		Best of Real Sex	
(17)	Sister, Sis.	Lizzie	Movie: "Get a Clue"			Teamo	Even	Sister, Sis.	Boy World	Boy World
(18)	"Star Trek: The Motion Picture" Cont'd		Movie: "Joe Dirt"				Movie: "Speed"			
(20)	AHL	Pregame	NHL Hockey: Boston Bruins at Washington Capitals						Overtime	ESPNNews
(44)	Intimate Portrait		Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: "A Child's Wish"					Golden	Golden
(5)	Friends	Seinfeld	Movie: "Cocktail"				Movie: "The TimeShifters"			
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Oddparents	Ginger	Cosby	Cosby	Cheers	Cheers	Cheers	Cheers
(25)	Force 10 From Navarone		Movie: "The Sand Pebbles"							
(26)	JAG		Movie: "GoldenEye"						JAG	
(27)	Real Story		Biography	Movie: "Columbo: No Time to Die"					Third Watch	
(12)	Home Imp.	Will-Grace	Movie: "Nowhere to Hide"				News		Justice	Heat
(39)	Crossfire		Connie Chung Tonight	Larry King Live			Newsnight-Aaron Brown		Chung	Moneyline

FRIDAY EVENING DECEMBER 20, 2002										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	'70s Show	'70s Show	Movie: "Star Trek V: The Final Frontier"				News	Frasier	Frasier	Ent. Tonight
(32)	Christopher	Frosty's	Santa Is Coming to Town	Movie: "Mr. St. Nick"					700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Providence				Law & Order		News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Funnest Home Videos	Whose?	Drew Carey	20/20			News	
(10)	News-Lehrer		Wash Wk	Wall	Keeping Up	Time Goes	Neighbors	One Foot	Now With Bill Moyers	
(22)	Sportsctr.	NBA	NBA Basketball: Los Angeles Lakers at Philadelphia 76ers				NBA Basketball: Suns at Clippers			
(34)	Real TV	Real TV	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Movie: "Star Trek II: The Wrath of Khan"					Oblivious	
(13)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	Home for the Holidays	Hack			CSI: Miami		News	
(41)	Tailgate	NBA Basketball: Minnesota Timberwolves at Boston Celtics					Best Damn Sports Show Period			
(15)	Inside the NFL		Movie: "Ghosts of Mars"		1st Look	Oz		Arises	Cathouse	
(17)	Proud	Lizzie	Movie: "The Emperor's New Groove"	Movie: "The Emperor's New Groove"					Lizzie	
(18)	"Booby Call" Cont'd		Movie: "The Mexican"				Movie: "The Pelican Brief"			
(20)	Front Row -- Diamonds		Wild World of Winter	New England PGA.com			ESPNNews		ESPNNews	
(44)	Intimate Portrait		Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: "Stalking Laura"					Movie: "Ruthless People"	
(5)	Friends	Seinfeld	Movie: "Crocodile Dundee II"				Movie: "Mars Attacks!"			
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Sponge	Adven./	Oddparents	Oddparents	Cosby	Cosby	Cheers	Cheers
(25)	"The Longest Day"		Movie: "The French Connection"				Access	Stunts	Movie: "Fright Night"	
(26)	JAG		Movie: "The Jackal"				Monk		Law	
(27)	Real Story		Biography	Movie: "True Lies"						
(12)	Home Imp.	Will-Grace	Movie: "Love at Large"				News		Justice	Heat
(39)	Crossfire		Connie Chung Tonight	Larry King Live			Newsnight-Aaron Brown		Chung	Moneyline

SATURDAY EVENING DECEMBER 21, 2002										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Movie: "Legend"				News	Sanders	Entertainment Tonight	
(32)	Movie: "Mr. St. Nick"				Life-Bonnie	Less Than	Movie: "The Christmas List"			
(6)	Maine	Seinfeld	Fat Albert	Freezerburn	Faith Hill: When		Snowboarding: U.S. G.P.		News	Sat. Night
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Movie: "Saturday Night Fever"						News	Practice
(10)	Made In	Made In	Masterpiece Theatre				Normal for Us: The Miller		Red Green	Red Green
(22)	Basketball	Sportsctr.	NFL	NFL Football: Philadelphia Eagles at Dallas Cowboys					Sportsctr.	
(34)	Robot Wars: Extreme		American Gladiators	Slamball			WWE Velocity		WWE Confidential	
(13)	Entertainment Tonight		Touched by an Angel	District			Agency		News	Andromeda
(41)	NBA Action	NBA Basketball: Boston Celtics at Cleveland Cavaliers					Best Damn Sports Show		Beyond the Glory	
(15)	A.I.: Artificial Intelligence		Movie: "Joy Ride"				Movie: "One Eight Seven"			
(17)	Proud	Lizzie	Movie: "Leave It to Beaver"				Movie: "Seventeen Again"			
(18)	"Judas Kiss" Cont'd		Movie: "Exit Wounds"				Movie: "Heist"			
(20)	NHL Hockey: Florida Panthers at Boston Bruins						Overtime	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	
(44)	Movie: "True Women"								"The Last Innocent Man"	
(5)	Movie: "The Shawshank Redemption"						Movie: "The Game"			
(24)	Adven./	Oddparents	All That	Nick	Amanda	Skeeter	Cosby	Cosby	Cheers	Cheers
(25)	"Mad Dog and Glory"		Movie: "Broadcast News"				Movie: "Short Circuit"			
(26)	Movie: "Babe" Cont'd		Movie: "Dirty Dancing"				Motown Christmas		JAG	
(27)	Mansions, Monuments		Movie: "Hercule Poirot's Christmas"				In Concert: Rod Stewart			
(12)	HappyDay	HappyDay	Movie: "29th Street"				News		Fresh Pr.	Soul Train
(39)	Capital Gang		CNN Presents	Larry King Weekend			CNN Saturday Night		Capital Gang	

SUNDAY EVENING DECEMBER 22, 2002										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Move Mgc	Sports Final	Movie: "Wagons East!"				News	Sanders	'70s Show	Hot Ticket
(32)	"Must Be Santa" Cont'd	Orange	Frosty's	Rudolph's-New Year			Movie: "I'll Be Home for Christmas"			
(6)	Cmas Decorations		American Dreams	Law & Order			Boombtown		News	Hot Ticket
(8)	Movie: "I'll Be Home for Christmas"			Alias			Practice		News	Buffy
(10)	Monarch of the Glen	Nature		Masterpiece Theatre			Concerto		To Contrary	Religion
(22)	Sportsctr.	NFL Primetime		NFL Football: New York Jets at New England Patriots					Sportsctr.	
(34)	Movie: "Wayne's World"			Movie: "Wayne's World 2"					Real TV	Real TV
(13)	60 Minutes	Becker	Becker	Movie: "A Town Without Christmas"					News	Friends
(41)	College Basketball	College Basketball: North Carolina at Florida State		See This	See This				Beyond the Glory	
(15)	Dude, Where's My Car?	Sex & City	Sex & City	Movie: "Ocean's Eleven"					Harry Potter-Sorcerer's	
(17)	Proud	Lizzie		Santa Claus Brothers			Even		Kim	Proud
(18)	Movie: "How to Make a Monster"		Movie: "Death Warrant"				Movie: "Hearts in Atlantis"			
(20)	Snow Show	Divers	Outdoors	Outdoors	ESPNNews		ESPNNews		ESPNNews	
(44)	Judgment Day		Movie: "Empty Cradle"				Movie: "Circle of Deceit"			
(5)	Shawshank R.		Movie: "Ghost"				Movie: "Ghost"			
(24)	Ginger	Taina	Garcia	Clueless	Cosby	Cosby	Cheers	Cheers	Coach	Coach
(25)	Butch Cassidy		Movie: "The Natural"						Movie: "Havana"	
(26)	"Jawbreaker" Cont'd		Movie: "10 Things I Hate About You"				Dead Zone		Law & Order	
(27)	Biography		Nero Wolfe				City Confidential		Third Watch	Murder, She Wrote
(12)	Mutant X		Andromeda				Adventure Inc.		News	Replay
(39)	People in the News		CNN Presents	Larry King Weekend			CNN Sunday Night		CNN Presents	

MONDAY EVENING DECEMBER 23, 2002										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	'70s Show	'70s Show	Parkers	One	Girlfriends	Half	News	Frasier	Frasier	Ent. Tonight
(32)	Willy Wonka & Chocolate		Movie: "The Preacher's Wife"						700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Fear Factor		Third Watch		Crossing Jordan		News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Sports Rap Live		NFL Football: Pittsburgh Steelers at Tampa Bay Buccaneers					
(10)	News-Lehrer		Antiques Roadshow		Ken Burns American		Home: Maine		Charlie Rose	
(22)	College Football: Tangerine Bowl				Outside the Lines		Figure Skating: Nations' Cup			
(34)	Real TV	Real TV	Star Trek: Next Gener.	WWE Raw					CSI: Crime Scn	
(13)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	Kirig	Yes, Dear	Raymond	Still	CSI: Miami		News	
(41)	Sports	Last Word	Best Damn Sports Show Period				Best Damn Sports Show Period			
(15)	"Fat Man and Little Boy"		Movie: "The Last Castle"				Cathouse		"Live From Baghdad"	
(17)	Sister, Sis.	Lizzie	Movie: "The Santa Clause"				Movie: "The Santa Clause"			
(18)	Losing Layla		Movie: "Heist"				Movie: "Under Siege 2: Dark Territory"			
(20)	NHL Hockey: San Jose Sharks at Boston Bruins						Overtime	Wild World of Winter		ESPNNews
(44)	Intimate Portrait		Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: "Hidden in America"					Golden	Golden
(5)	Friends	Seinfeld	Movie: "Coming to America"						Movie: "The Ref"	
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Dora	Sponge	Cosby	Cosby	Cheers	Cheers	Coach	Coach
(25)	"The Odd Couple" Cont'd		Movie: "The River"						Movie: "Raggedy Man"	
(26)	JAG		Movie: "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade"						JAG	
(27)	Real Story		TVography		Biography				Third Watch	
(12)	Home Imp.	Will-Grace	Movie: "Santa Claus"				News		Justice	Heat
(39)	Crossfire		Connie Chung Tonight	Larry King Live			Newsnight-Aaron Brown		Chung	Moneyline

TUESDAY EVENING DECEMBER 24, 2002										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	'70s Show	'70s Show	Buffy the Vampire Slayer		Buffy the Vampire Slayer		News	Frasier	Frasier	Ent. Tonight
(32)	Rudolph's-New Year		Jack Frost		Santa Is Coming to Town		Without Santa		700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Movie: "It's a Wonderful Life"						News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	8 Rules	Jim	Life-Bonnie	Less Than	NYPD Blue		News	
(10)	News-Lehrer		Great Performances				Utah Symphony and Mormon		Rose	
(22)	Best of Sportscenter		NFL's Greatest Game				Sportscenter		Sportscenter	
(34)	Movie: "Thunderball" Cont'd		Movie: "You Only Live Twice"						On-Service	
(13)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	JAG		Guardian		Judging Amy		News	
(41)	Sports	Last Word	Best Damn Sports Show Period				Best Damn Sports Show Period			
(15)	Movie: "Two Bits" Cont'd		Movie: "Joy Ride"				Movie: "Jim Brown: All-American"			
(17)	Sister, Sis.	Lizzie	Movie: "Babes in Toyland"				Movie: "Twins the Night"		Teamo	Lizzie
(18)	2 Days		Movie: "The Pelican Brief"				Movie: "My Cousin Vinny"			
(20)	Charlie Moore Marathon		Charlie Moore Marathon		Charlie Moore Marathon		ESPNNews		ESPNNews	
(44)	Movie: "Ebbie" Cont'd		Movie: "Christmas in My Hometown"				Movie: "The Christmas Wish"			
(5)	Friends	Seinfeld	Movie: "Trading Places"				Movie: "Another 48 HRS."			
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Christmas Carol		Cosby	Cosby		Cheers	Cheers	Coach	Coach
(25)	"The Bravados" Cont'd		Movie: "Once Upon a Time in America"							
(26)	"Tommy Boy" Cont'd		Movie: "The Waterboy"				Movie: "Tommy Boy"			
(27)	Real Story		Biography		Movie: "Shackleton"					
(12)	Home Imp.	Will-Grace	Movie: "Twins"				News		Movie: "Scrooge"	
(39)	Crossfire		Connie Chung Tonight	Larry King Live			Newsnight-Aaron Brown		Chung	Moneyline

WEDNESDAY EVENING DECEMBER 25, 2002											
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
(3)	'70s Show	'70s Show	Enterprise		Twilight Zone		News	Frasier	Frasier	Ent. Tonight	
(32)	Movie: "Three Days"				Movie: "Borrowed Hearts"			700 Club			
6	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Sarah Hughes		West Wing		Law & Order		News		
8	NBA Basketball: Celtics at Nets			NBA Basketball: Sacramento Kings at Los Angeles Lakers				News			
10	News-Lehrer		St. Olaf C'mas		Great Performances					Rose	
(22)	College Football		College Football: Hawaii Bowl -- Hawaii vs. Tulane							Sportsctr.	
(34)	Movie: "The Spy Who Loved Me" Cont'd				Movie: "Moonraker"						
13	Friends	Ent. Tonight	Red-Nosed Reindeer		Movie: "The Christmas Secret"				News		
(41)	Sports	Road Trip	Best Damn Sports Show Period				Best Damn Sports Show Period				
(15)	"Multiplicity" Cont'd		Real Sports		Movie: "Ocean's Eleven"				Catch Me If	"Firetrap"	
(17)	Proud	Lizzie	Santa Claus Brothers		Movie: "The Santa Clause"				Lizzie	Even	
(18)	Movie: "The Beverly Hillsbillies" Cont'd		Movie: "Dr. Dolittle 2"			Movie: "Heist"					
(20)	ESPNews		ESPNews		ESPNews		ESPNews		ESPNews		
(44)	"Stolen Miracle" Cont'd		Movie: "Holiday Affair"				Movie: "Unlikely Angel"				
(5)	"McLintock" Cont'd		Movie: "Big Jake"				Movie: "Hondo"				
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Rugrats	Tiny Toon	Brady		Cheers	Cheers	All in Family	3's Co.	
(25)	"Blue Hawaii" Cont'd		Movie: "Doctor Dolittle"				Movie: "Funny Face"				
(26)	"The Waterboy" Cont'd		Movie: "Billy Madison"				Movie: "Beverly Hills Cop III"				
(27)	Real Story		Biography			Movie: "The Lost World"					
(12)	Home Imp.	Will-Grace	Movie: "A Different Kind of Christmas"					News	Justice	Heat	
(39)	Crossfire		Connie Chung Tonight		Larry King Live		Newsnight-Aaron Brown		Chung	Moneysing	

Events Calendar

Public Computer Access — Hours at the SAD44 Adult Learning Center, Philbrook Street, Bethel are: Tuesday, 9 a.m. to noon; Wednesday, 4:30 to 8:30 p.m.; and Thursday, 9 a.m. to noon for academic instruction and GED preparation, as well as use of the computer lab.

Seniors Lunch every Tuesday and Thursday, 11:30 a.m., at Bethel Methodist Church, Main Street, sponsored by SeniorsPlus. Donation for 60 and older and spouses, \$2.50; all other guests, \$4. Reservations important. For information, menus, reservations, call 824-3168 (also the number to call to apply for Meals on Wheels).

9 a.m. (Thursdays) — Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge at Town and Country Mobile Home Park community center, Norway. All bridge players invited to attend and bring a friend or two. Refreshments. For more information, call Mimi Bell (743-8081) or Rowena Palmer (743-2882) or e-mail bridge@megalink.net

Nov. 5-Dec. 20 — Ongoing Craft and Bake Sale at Woodstock Elementary School. Bread, cookies, brownies, some pies, crafts, etc. Quilt raffled on Dec. 17; tickets \$1 available at library, craft fair and Woodstock Town Office.

Friday, Dec. 20

7:30 p.m. — Yulefest, a student concert at Gould Academy's Birgham Hall.

Saturday, Dec. 21

4 p.m. — Sing and Shout for Joy Christmas Cantata at Locke Mills Union Church. Choir from area churches. Refreshments following.

4 to 4 p.m. — The final free Horse-drawn wagon rides for Christmas Country season in Bethel. Ride starts at Bethel Fire Station.

5 p.m. — 21st annual Live Nativity in front of the Oxford Advent Christian Church, Route 26 Oxford. Cast of about 60 costumed people, music and assortment of live animals. Free. Corn and fish chowders, biscuits and cupcakes served in the church dining hall. Free will offering taken for the meal. FMI, call 743-7310.

5:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. — Bottle Dive to benefit Telstar Regional High School at the SAD44 Bus

Garage. To arrange pickup of bottles, call 824-3236.

Sunday, Dec. 22

5 p.m. — Living Nativity at Bethel Common. Preparation begins at 3:30 p.m. at Bethel Inn Conference Center. Call 824-2289 for more information. Hymn sing after at the Nazarene Church. Public welcome.

5:30 p.m. — Christmas Eve Candle Lighting Service of Lessons and Carols at West Paris Mission Congregational Church.

7 p.m. — Christmas Eve Candle Lighting Service of Lessons and Carols at the Congregational Church, East Sumner.

Tuesday, Dec. 24

10 a.m. to 1 p.m. — Snowmobile rides with Santa at Sun Valley Sports. FMI, call 824-7533.

Friday, Dec. 27

6:30 p.m. (sign-up), 7 p.m. (Open Mic) — Norway Coffeehouse/Open Mic hosted by Heather Pierson and Diane Vincent at Norway Unitarian Universalist Church, 379 Main Street. Suggested donation: \$3. Proceeds to benefit The Life Center at J.E. Murphy Homes. FMI, call Heather Pierson at 782-4496.

Saturday, Dec. 28

7 p.m. — Maine Hysterical Society — Comedy Variety Show presented by the Black Diamond Family Entertainment Series at the Grand Summit Resort Hotel Grand Ballroom, Sunday River Ski Resort, Newry. Tickets: \$4/\$6 for 12 and under and \$6/\$7 for adults. FMI, call 824-3575.

Monday, Dec. 30

7 p.m. — National Marionette Theatre's "Alice in Wonderland," presented by the Black Diamond Family Entertainment Series at the Grand Summit Resort Hotel Grand Ballroom, Sunday River Ski Resort, Newry. Tickets: \$4/\$6 for 12 and under and \$6/\$7 for adults. FMI, call 824-3575.

Tuesday, Dec. 31

6 p.m. — Fifth annual New Year's Bethel Celebration. Vehicle parade up Main Street, venues (Gary Crocker, humorist, Jim Gallant, guitarist and vocalist; trio of musicians, jugglers and actors; Molly Ockett Chorus; Old Grey



Guitarist Jim Gallant will be one of six performers at the fifth annual New Year's Bethel festivities sponsored by the Bethel Historical Society. His warm, rich vocals in a masterful mix of contemporary music, catchy originals, Celtic jigs, and Bach fugues will be a perfect combination at the Dr. Moses Mason House Meeting Room. Other performances include Maine humor, folk music, vaudeville, Dixie-land jazz, and barbershop singing. A lighted-vehicle parade, horse-drawn wagon rides, marshmallow roasting and fireworks will be among the other attractions during the evening. Tickets (\$10 adults, \$8 for students 5 to 18) are available at the Citizen office, Maine Line Products (Bethel and Locke Mills), the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, and the Bethel Historical Society's museum shop. Further information can be obtained by calling the society office at (800) 824-2908 or 824-2908.

Goose; and a jazz band), marshmallow roast, etc. Tickets (\$10) may be purchased at The Bethel Citizen, Bethel Historical Society Museum Shop, Maine Line Products in Bethel and Locke Mills, and Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce.

Annual New Year's Eve Party and Fireworks display at Sunday River Ski Resort. Live music, dinner specials and activities for all ages. FMI, go to www.sundayriver.com

Ring in the New Year at Bethel Inn and Country Club. Dinner specials, fireworks over golf course. FMI, call 824-2175.

New Year's Eve Snowmobile Ride and Dine at the Great Grizzly. For reservations, call 824-7533 or (877) 851-7533.

Wednesday, Jan. 1

Sunday River Ski Resort's Community Day. Free or discounted prices for skiing, riding, rental equipment, clinics and food. To participate, children's names must be on a district list provided by superintendent's office. FMI, call 824-3000.

Wednesday, Jan. 8

11 a.m. — Bethel Senior Citizens Club dinner and meeting at The Sudbury Inn, Bethel. Cost of dinner will be \$7.50.

7 p.m. — Community Forestry: Growing Greener Communities by Tish Carr, Augusta City Arborist (snow date: Jan. 15) sponsored by

Mahoosuc Land Trust at the Trustees' Auditorium, McLaughlin Science Center, Gould Academy, Bethel. FMI, call 824-3806.

Friday, Jan. 10

7 p.m. — Mahoosuc Arts Council's Meet the Artist Series will feature Tim Gallagher, filmmaker at Gould Academy's McLaughlin Science Center. Ticket info: call 824-3575. Limited seating.

Friday, Jan. 24

Ski Day to Eliminate Polio at Sunday River Ski Resort to benefit International Polio Eradication Campaign of Rotary International. Tickets: \$40 each through Bethel Rotary Club. FMI, call 824-4500.

January 31-February 9

Bethel WinterFest. First weekend: Antique Snowmobile Show and Grooming Rodeo and Radar Run at Bethel Airport. Saturday, Feb. 1, Androscoggin River Polar Plunge at Bethel Outdoor Adventures. Saturday, Feb. 8: Great Snowbox Derby at Bethel Inn.

Saturday, Feb. 8

10th annual Winter Walk Against Violence sponsored by Abused Women's Advocacy Project. Inside Auburn Mall. FMI, call Cindy at 795-6744 ext. 16.

Support Services

Abused Women's Advocacy Project

AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0730; Norway office 743-5806; 24-hour hotline 1-800-559-2927.

Alcohol/Drug Treatment

Gateway Recovery Services—Outpatient counseling services available at Bethel Family Health Center, Mondays and Wednesdays. For info, call 207-743-7580.

Diabetes Support Group

The Diabetes Support Group meets on the third Wednesday of each month. The meeting is held from 6:30-7:30pm in the Harper Conference Center in the Ripley Medical Building. All are welcome to attend. For more information, please contact Betty Sirois at 743-5933.

Exchanges

District Exchange Community Thrift Shop accepts donations of in-season clothing in clean, wearable condition only. Drop-off hours and shopping: Monday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Thursday 3 to 5 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Woodstock Seventh Day Adventist Church Community Service Center announces that individuals or families requiring assistance with food needs in the South Woodstock, Bryant Pond, West Paris and Sumner areas are invited to call 674-2566, 674-2663, or 665-2226 to learn more details.

Mental Illness Support Group

Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional or physical illness, provides support, relaxation and socialization. Monday, 1 to 5 p.m.; Tuesday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Thursday, 3 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday, 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call 364-3549 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays or (800) 335-9999 off hours. 928-3222.

REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

Veterans' Services (State/VA Benefits)

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, first and third Wednesday each month, 9 to 12 noon (743-6300); Rumford Employment Sec. Bldg. (364-3718), second and fourth Thursday, 9 to 12 noon; Lewiston (795-4590), 200 Main St., 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday thru Friday. Location: Monday-Sunday School 2:45-4:15 p.m. Tel. 392-4841. (new members welcome)

Library Hours

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 1-4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6 to 8 p.m. Tel. 392-4841.
Bethel Library: Monday, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.; Tuesday, 1-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1-8 p.m.; Thursday, 1-5 p.m.; Friday, 1-5 p.m.; Saturday, 9-11 a.m. Story Hour Mondays, 10-11 a.m. October to May. Michelle Conroy, Librarian. 824-2520.
Crescent Park Elementary School: Open every Thursday evening from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. to the Public.
Hamlin Memorial Library, Paris Hill: Tuesday-Friday, 11:30-5:30; Saturday, 10-2; Wednesday evening, 7-9 p.m. Tel. 743-2980.
Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel. 665-2505. Library hours: Tuesday & Thursday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday 12 p.m. and 4 p.m.
West Paris Library, West Paris: Monday 1:30-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1:30-7 p.m.; Friday, 1:30-5 p.m. 674-2004.
Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover: Wednesday, 10-12 through July and August. Story
Upton Library: Saturdays 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Monthly Meetings

First Sunday: Bethel Snow Twisters Club meets at Clayton Crockett's at 7 p.m. September through April.

Greenstock Snow Sports Snowmobile Club meets at the Greenwood Town Office at 9 a.m.

Windy Valleys Snowmobile Club meeting at Newry Town Office.

Second Sunday: Western Maine Mountain Trail Mixers ATV Club meets at 6:30pm at Sun Valley Sports, 129 Sunday River Road, Bethel. New members welcome.

Every Sunday: Western Mountains Meditation Group, Center for Natural Healing, 47 Pioneer Street, West Paris, 9:30 a.m. 674-3961.
Bethel Freedom Group AA meeting, 6 to 7 p.m. ST/BB at Bethel Fire Station.

First and Third Monday: Bethel Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

Newry Fire Department monthly meetings: first Monday, 7 p.m., at Sunday River Station; third Monday,

7 p.m., Bear River Station.
Franklin Grange #124, 7:00p.m., call 674-3046 or 674-3962 for more info.

First Monday: Greenwood Planning Board meets at Town Office, 7 p.m.

Second Monday: Newry Mother's Club meets, 7:30 p.m.

Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, J. Grover Tent #17, Ellis River Riders meet at Andover Fire Station, 7 p.m.

Third and Fourth Monday: Greenwood Comprehensive Planning Committee meets at town office, 7 p.m.

Second and Fourth Monday: SAD44 Board of Directors meets in Bethel, Woodstock or Andover at 7:30 p.m. Call 824-2185 for place.

Gilead Fire Department meets at the Fire Station at 7 p.m.

Every Monday: Mahoosuc Music Makers rehearsal, 7-9 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church (downstairs).

First Tuesday: Upton selectmen meet at 7 p.m. at Town Office.

Western Maine Kniters Guild meets at Christ Church, Norway, 10 a.m. to noon.

First and Third Tuesday: The Greater Rumford Alliance for the Mentally Ill-Children and Adolescent Network (GRAMI-CA) Support, education and advocacy. Meets in the former St. John's rectory from 6:30-8 p.m. in Rumford. Contact Diane at 369-0542.

Bethel Area Promise Keepers, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

FACTS (Family/Friends And Consumers Together for Support) 6:30-8 p.m. at Ethel Bisbee Adult Learning Center. Contact Rhonda at 824-3076.

Greenwood selectmen meet at Town Office, 5 p.m.

Woodstock Planning Board meets at 7 p.m. at Town Office.

Woodstock Selectmen meet at 5 p.m. at Town Office.

Second Tuesday: Mundt-Allen Post, American Legion, meeting at 7:30 p.m. Supper starts at 6:30 p.m.

Telstar Alumni Association meets in the guidance conference room.

Ladies' Bible Fellowship, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

Second and Fourth Tuesday: The Bethel Lions Club meets at the Rebel Family Restaurant, West Bethel at 6:30pm.

Third Tuesday: Fine Tree Legal Assistance at Bethel Area Health Center, starting at 10 a.m.

Every Tuesday: Bethel Rotary Club meets at The Bethel Inn, 7:30 a.m.

Andover Board of Selectmen meets at the Town office, 7 p.m.

Newry Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 9 a.m.

CrossCountry Quilters will meet at the Robinson House or Bethel Library from 9 to 11am except the last Tuesday of each month the meeting will be from 7 to 9pm.

Cub Scout Pack 566 meeting, 6 p.m., at Crescent Park School Cafeteria.

Mollycoddet Chorus practice, 6:30-9 p.m. at Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Skeetfield Rd., Oxford (Call 824-2468 for info).

First Wednesday: Greenwood Historical Society meets at the Society Building, Main St., Locke Mills, 7 p.m.

Bethel Area Archery Spinning Group, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church. Potluck luncheon.

The Ash-Risely Detachment of the Marine Corps League meets at 6:30pm at the VFW Post #2520, Berlin, NH. All current marines and former Marines are welcome to attend. For more information, please call (603) 237-9395 or (603) 752-3042.

Second Wednesday: Gilead selectmen meet at Town Office, 7 p.m. Tax collector also holds hours.

Friends of the West Paris Library, 6:30 p.m. (new members welcome)

First and Third Wednesday: Newry Planning Board, Town Office, 7 p.m.

Second and Fourth Wednesday: Bethel Planning Board meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

Fourth Wednesday: Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, H.F. Richardson Tent #19, East Stoneham, K of P Hall, 7 p.m. For more info, call 928-2611.

Women's Fellowship, West Parish Congregational Church, Garland Chapel, Bethel, 9:30 a.m.

Jefferson Chapter, 89, OES, Bryant Pond, 6:30 p.m.; refreshments, 7:30 meeting. (Except July and Aug.)

Last Wednesday of Sept., Nov., Jan., March and May: Crescent Park School PTA, 6:30-8 p.m. Babysitting provided.

Every Wednesday: TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 5:45-7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

The Harmony Singers, a new Bethel community chorus, rehearses from 7:00 to 8:30 pm Wednesday evenings at 196 Intervale Road. This group welcomes singers of all ages and abilities. Join us on Wednesday evenings or send inquiries to jlln@ci.net or call 824-8721.

First Thursday: United Methodist Women meet at the Bethel Methodist Church at 1 p.m.

Bethel Recreation Board meeting, 7 p.m. at Town Office.

Second Thursday: Board of Directors of Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce meets at Bethel Alliance Church, 7:30 a.m.

Newry Fire Auxiliary meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

Bethel Lodge #97, AF & AM.

A book discussion group at Whitman Memorial Library at 10:00am Oxford County Democrats. Contact: Cathy Nowell at 675-2116.

First and Third Thursday: Jackson Silver Post, Locke Mills, 7 p.m.

West Paris Grange #298, 7:30pm. Call 674-3962 or 674-3046

Fourth Thursday: Bethel Area Poets Society Reading, 7 to 9 p.m. Call 824-3427 for more info.

Every Thursday: Andover Water District Board of Directors meets at 7 p.m.

West Paris Board of Selectmen meet at the Town Office, 6:30 p.m.

Middle and High School Youth Groups, 6:30 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

First Friday: The Oxford County Mineral and Gem Association meets at 7 p.m. at the Newry home of Norman and Eleanor Davis, 824-2844.

MS self-help group at the West Parish Congregational Church next to Gould Academy. Call Gale Tout at 836-2900 for more information. 1-2:30 p.m.

Third Friday: Mt. Abram Lodge, 100F, 7:30 p.m.

State Line Snowmobile Club monthly meetings held at John Thriault's house on East B Hill Road, Upton.

Every Friday: Game Party at Jackson-Silver Post No. 68, Gore Road, Locke Mills, 6 p.m.

First Saturday: Western Maine Mountain Jeepers meet at 7 p.m. at Bethel Fire Station.

St. Andrews Society meeting, 10 a.m., Harvest House, Lisbon (business meeting with lunch).

Second Saturday: Woodstock Historical Society meets at 7 p.m. in historical society museum. Open to public.

Last Saturday: Upton Planning Board meets at 9 a.m. at the Town Office.

Seasonal only: Every Saturday: Bethel Farmers' Market, Bethel Area Health Center parking lot, 9 a.m. - 12 noon. Locally grown produce and local goods.

Items for the Community Calendar may be brought to The Bethel Citizen office, mailed in or phoned in at 824-2444.

The deadline is Monday noon.

Church Services

Bethel

Bethel Alliance Church—Rev. Rick Mowery, 10:00 a.m. worship. Sunday School at 9:00 a.m. Evening fellowship and youth ministries 6:00pm, Sundays. Prayer fellowship 7:00 p.m., Wednesdays.

Church of the Nazarene—Pastor Chuck Mason, 9:30 a.m. Sunday school (2 hours, including recreation activities; call 824-4028 for transportation), 10:30 a.m. morning worship, 6 p.m. evening service. 824-4028 (voice mail) or 824-7289 for more info.

West Parish Congregational—Rev. Daniel Johnson, 10:30 a.m. worship. Nursery care provided. Prayer, Tues., 8 a.m. For more information call 824-8860.

Our Lady of the Snows—Mass—Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Dec. 21 - March 29. Pastor Father Maurice Lebel 743-2606.

United Methodist—Mrs. Betsy S. Webber, Pastor, 11 a.m. Sunday worship. Rainbow Church School, 3-5 p.m. Thursdays (all ages welcome).

West Bethel Union—9 a.m. worship and Sunday school. For info, call 836-2844 or 836-2882. Rev. Earl H. Bell.

Pleasant Valley Bible—Pastor Clifford McMullen, 9 a.m. Sunday school, 10 a.m. worship, 836-2828.

Episcopal House Church—Holy communion service the third Sunday of every month at 4:00pm at 38 Chapman Street. For further info, call the Reverend Gwyneth Bohr at 824-2913.

Church of Christ—at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mill Road (Rt. 26), Bethel. Worship at 10 a.m. Sunday, Bible study at 11 a.m. 824-3577.

Worldwide Church of God—10:30 a.m. first, second third (and fifth) Saturday each month. Services held in the dining hall of the West Parish Congregational Church. Contact: George Weber, 892-0779

Woodstock

Bryant Pond Baptist—Rev. Peter Laitres, Sundays: Sunday School 9:15am; Adult Bible Fellowship 9:15am; Morning Worship 10:30am; Choir Practice 4:45pm; Evening Preaching Service 6:00pm. Wednesdays: Patch the Pirate Club 6:30pm; Prayer Meeting and Bible Study 6:30pm.

Woodstock Seventh-day Adventist—Pastor Richard Wright (207-797-9678), Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school, 11 a.m. worship service.

Pinhook Meeting House (Rt. 232, North Woodstock)—Hymn Sing, last Friday of each month, 7 p.m. All welcome.

Mahoosuc Mountains Friends—a worship group meeting in the unprogrammed tradition of Friends (Quakers) - Sundays, 9:30 a.m. at the Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond. Newcomers welcome. First Day School activities provided for children. Call Arla Patch 665-2224 for more info.

Andover

First Congregational Church—Pastor Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10am followed by coffee fellowship. Sunday School on Tuesdays from 3-4:15pm for children in grades K-5. Thursday, choir practice at 6:30. All are welcome.

Calvary Bible Church—Pastor John O'Keefe. Winter hours: Sunday School 9:30am, Sunday AM worship 10:45am, Wednesday bible study and prayer meeting 6:45pm, Thursday Men's Discipleship 7:00pm. Contact church for schedule of Ladies Discipleship and bible study groups. Route 5, S. Andover. 392-1121.

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Environmental Protection (DEP) on
or about December 24, 2002 (esti-
mated submittal date) pursuant to
the provisions of 38 MRSA, Section
1301 et. seq. and 06-096. CMR
Chapter 400 et. seq.

The application is for Wood
Waste Transfer and Storage and
Leaf and Yard Waste Compost
Facility. The town currently operates
a site for storing and burning clean
wood waste. The town proposes to
continue operating this facility for
this purpose. In addition, the town
would like to begin to accept leaf
and yard waste and to compost
these materials at this site at
Greenwood City, on the north side
of West Paris Road, Route 219
owned by Town of Greenwood and
operated by same.

According to Department regula-
tions, interested parties must be
publicly notified, written comments
invited, and if justified, an opportu-
nity for public hearing given. A
request for a public hearing, or that
the Board of Environmental
Protection assume jurisdiction of
the application, must be received by
the Department, in writing, no later
than 20 days after the application is
accepted by the Department as
complete for processing.

The application and supporting
documentation are available for
review at the Bureau of
Remediation and Waste
Management (BRWM) at the appro-
priate DEP regional office, during
normal working hours. A copy of
the application and supporting docu-
mentation may also be seen at the
municipal office in Greenwood,
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Send all correspondence to:
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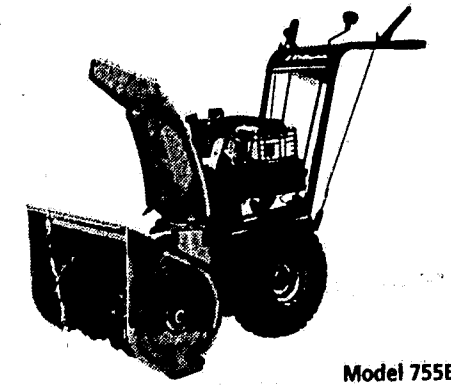
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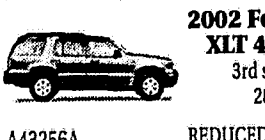
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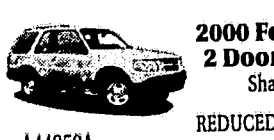
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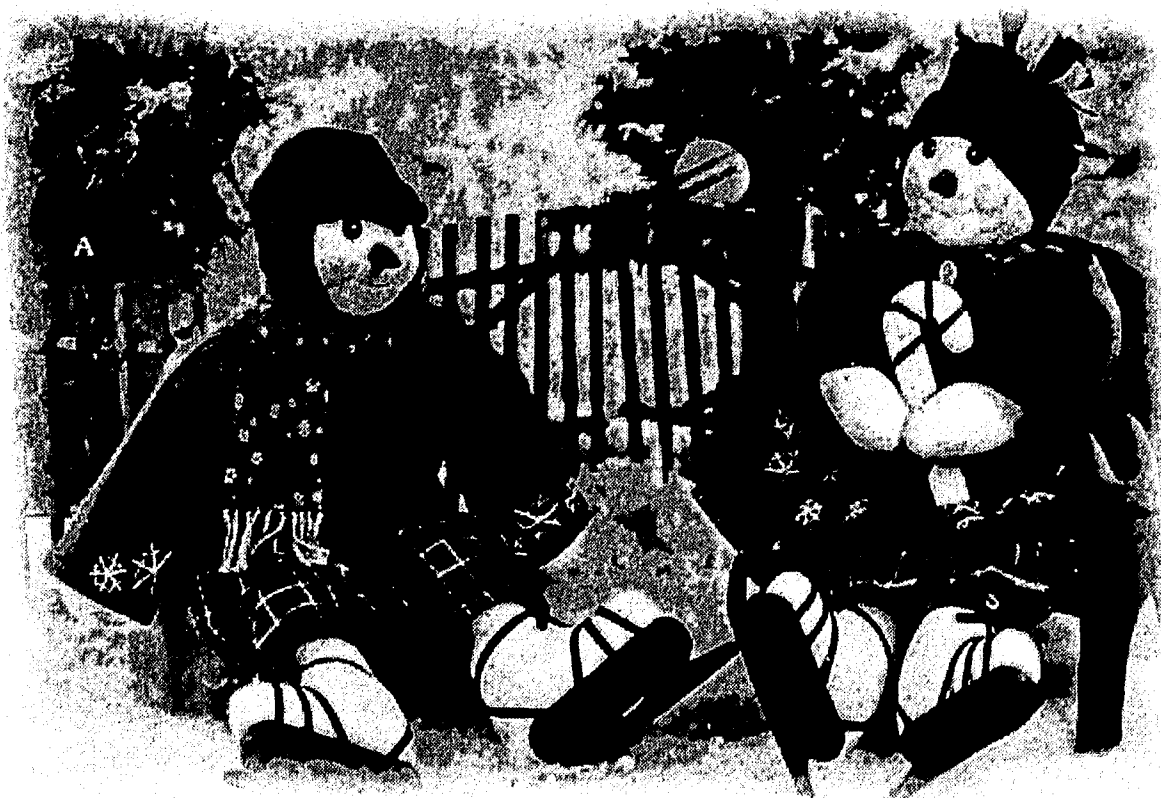
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TOWN OF GREENWOOD PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing on January 7, 2003 at 6:00pm at the Municipal Building, Bird Hill Road, Greenwood, ME to act on the application for an automobile/junkyard permit as filed by Thomas Warden of Greenwood, ME 04255.

Public input is invited.

Carol Whitman, Town Manager

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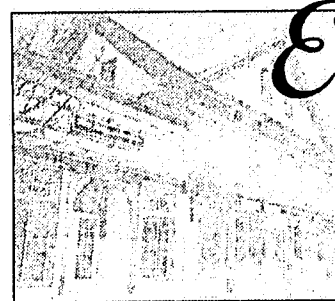
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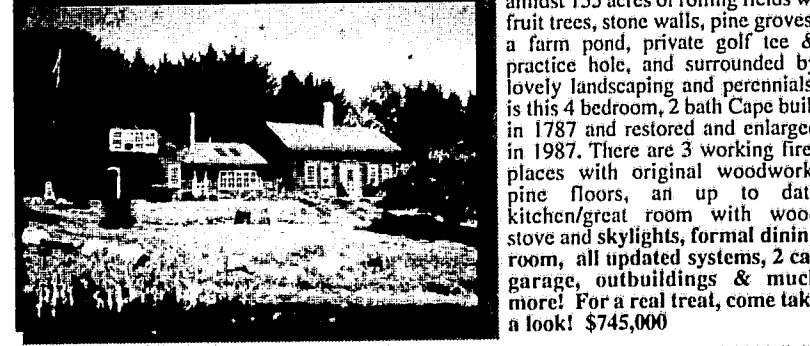
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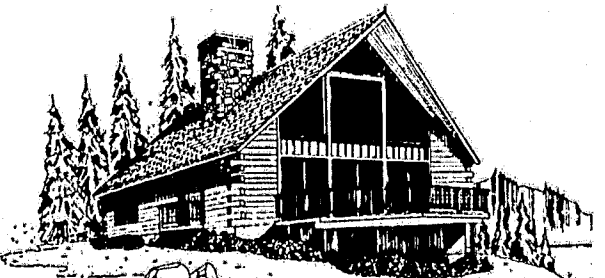
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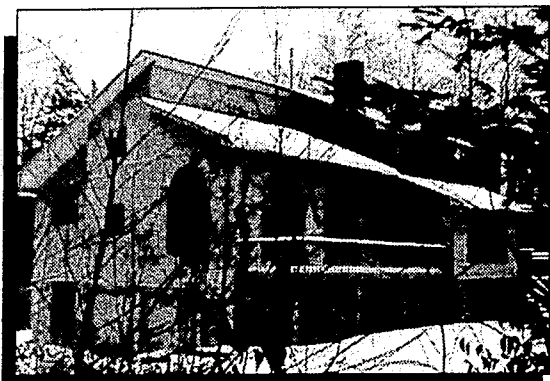


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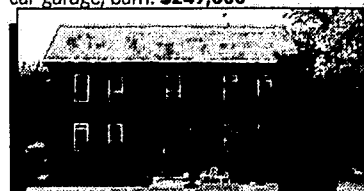
The Farwell House, Circa 1876: Warm and inviting Colonial that has been home to two families in its history. A wonderful combination of old and new. Ideally situated on the corner of Elm Street and Route 2, this home lends itself to a comfortable family residence or a variety of commercial opportunities. In-law apartment, two car garage, barn. **\$249,000**



Circa 1820's center chimney cape set upon a 2+/- Acre lot with beautiful mountain and pasture views. Unique 12 ft. diameter 4 sided fireplace. 3 bedrooms. Great restoration potential. **\$79,000**



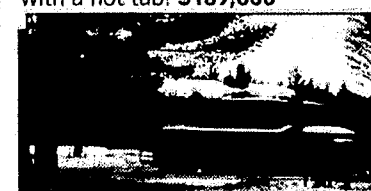
ANTIQUE NEW ENGLAND STYLE CAPE: This charming old home with an attached ell and barn boasts 6 bedrooms and 4 baths located close to the Village. Formal dining room. New kitchen, fenced in back yard, lovely mountain views and a deck with a hot tub! **\$189,000**



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CHEERFUL COUNTRY CAPE: Androscoggin River Frontage and mountain views. Two bedroom cozy Cape in Hanover Village. Updated country kitchen designed by a professionally trained chef. 1 car garage, mudroom and deck. **Priced to sell @ \$79,900**



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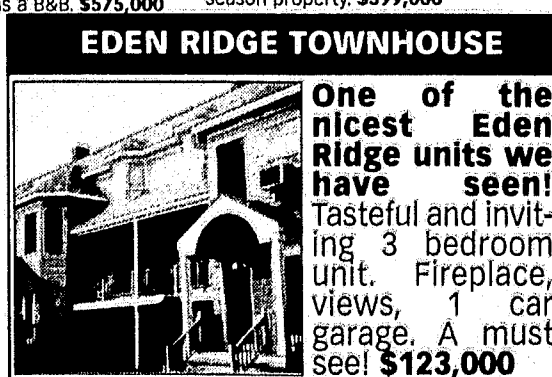
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Core Rd, Woodstock: Immaculate 3 bdrm, 2 bath home on 5 acres with deeded access to North Pond. This efficient, spacious home is bright and cheery, and in move in condition. It has a fenced back yard, new deck, and a fabulous 2-car garage with upstairs storage, electricity, and a chimney. **\$130,000**

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Beautiful North Pond property with so much to offer, owned water-frontage and exceptional views of this perfect Maine pond. Year round 2 bedroom home with one car garage, and just a short drive to either of the 2 local ski resorts. **\$139,900**

Walkers Mill Road, Bethel. Fantastic location for a rental property, commercial venture, or family home. Just seconds from the high school, village, and recreational areas. Currently a 2-unit, charming farmhouse on 3 acres of fields. Come investigate the possibilities. **\$180,000**

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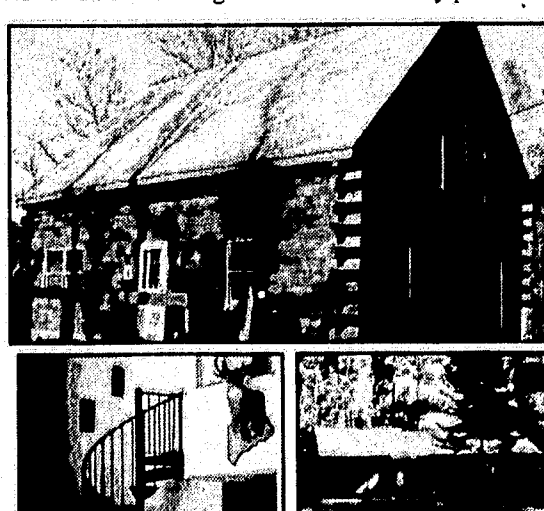
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Forrest Lane, Greenwood: Secluded 4BR log home situated on a private 5+/- acre lot in South Pond Shores subdivision. Deeded ROW to beach and South Pond. Only a short drive to village conveniences, Bethel recreational area and local ski resorts. Full walk-out basement that's partially finished. Call us to view. **\$144,900**

House Lots & Land

Cranberry Lane, Greenwood
A private location with a driveway leading the way through 8 acres of woods. This is a rare offering: a great building lot with water frontage on Twitchell Pond! Don't miss this opportunity. **\$39,900.**

Off Farmers Hill, Andover: Nicely set in the western mountains, this 70 acre parcel is large and remote and has power at street. Great getaway for hiking, skiing, snowmobiling and hunting. Call us for more details and own your own little wilderness kingdom! **\$44,000.**

Rumford Ave, Woodstock
This 28 acre parcel has it all: fields, woods, a brook and road frontage! It's in a desirable location, just a few short miles from Mt. Abram Skiway and the Western Maine/Bethel recreational area. Still within a short commute to Norway-Paris or Rumford, the location is convenient for many!

Mt. Abram Condo, Greenwood: One of the nicest homes in Mt. Abram Village - this ABR, 3 1/2 bath beauty must be viewed to be appreciated! Sitting high at the end of the road with great slope views, it boasts all the amenities needed to entertain or have guests: rec room, bar, hot tub and plenty of space. This one won't last long at **\$229,000**

North Pond, Woodstock: One of the best sandy beaches on North Pond! Right by the water, this nest-of-a-nest home has a southerly exposure and a great enclosed porch and deck to enjoy the beautiful lakefront views. With easy accessibility, paved driveway and large garage, this house is waiting to be your year-round lake home or second home getaway. **\$79,900**

Mt. Abram, Greenwood: One of the nicest homes in Mt. Abram Village - this ABR, 3 1/2 bath beauty must be viewed to be appreciated! Sitting high at the end of the road with great slope views, it boasts all the amenities needed to entertain or have guests: rec room, bar, hot tub and plenty of space. This one won't last long at **\$229,000**

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Obituaries

DONALD R. STANLEY

Donald R. Stanley, 88, of South Portland, died Dec. 12, 2002, at his residence following a long illness.

He was born in Bethel on Nov. 22, 1914, the son of Harold S. and Bessie Kenney Stanley. A 1934 graduate of Gould Academy, he excelled at a number of sports. He married the former Roma Warren in 1937. She died in 1996 after 59 years of marriage.

Prior to entering the service, Mr. Stanley was employed at the South Portland Shipyard building Liberty Ships. He entered the U.S. Navy during World War II, where he served as a Fire Controlman, 3rd Class, directing the fire of guns aboard the destroyer USS Howarth in the Pacific. He was awarded the World War II Victory Medal, the American Theater Medal, and Asiatic Pacific Theater Medal.

A master plumber, he operated Donald R. Stanley, Inc., Plumbing and Heating, in South Portland until his retirement in 1996.

A 32nd degree Mason, he was also a member of the VFW and Kiwanis. An avid sportsman, Mr. Stanley loved to fish, hunt, and work with his dogs. A member of the Maine Bird Dog Club, Inc., he was well known throughout New England for his expertise, breeding

and training English pointers and competing in field trials throughout New England, and parts of Canada and New York. He was one of the original members of Sunset Park Men's Club (now Wilkinson's Park), where he was responsible for building a Little League baseball field and playground for the park. He also sponsored and coached one of the teams.

He is survived by a son, Warren of South Portland; and a daughter, Dawn Lee of New York City; three grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Visiting hours were held at the Conroy-Tully South Portland Chapel on Tuesday, Dec. 17, with a service at the Thornton Heights United Methodist on Wednesday, Dec. 18, followed by burial in the Brooklawn Memorial Park, Portland. In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memory may be made to "Feed the Children," P.O. Box 36, Oklahoma City, OK 73101-0036 or to the Preble Street Resource Center, 252 Oxford Street, Portland, ME 04101.

CAITLIN DAVIS BERNIER

Caitlin Davis Bernier, five-month-old infant daughter of Timothy J. and Alison N. (Davis) Bernier, passed away on Monday morning, Dec. 16, 2002 at the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in Lebanon, N.H. She was born in Berlin, N.H., on July 6, 2002.

In Loving Memory of Tobin Heath

We do not need a special day,
To bring you to our minds.
The days we do not think of you,
Are very hard to find.
Each morning when we awake,
We know that you are gone.
And no one knows the heartache,
As we try to carry on.
Our hearts still ache with sadness,
And secret tears still flow.
What it meant to lose you,
No one will ever know.
Our thoughts are always with you,
Your place no one can fill.
In life we loved you dearly,
In death we love you still.
There will always be a heartache,
And often a silent tear.
But always a precious memory,
Of the days when you were here.
If tears could make a staircase,
And heartache a lane,
We'd walk the path to heaven,
And bring you home again.
We hold you close within our hearts,
And there you will remain,
To walk with us throughout our lives,
Until we meet again.
Our family chain is broken now,
And nothing seems the same.
But as God calls us one by one,
The chain will link again.

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Holly & Darin

In Loving Memory of Curt Alan Martin on his Birthday 12/20/1942-4/16/1998

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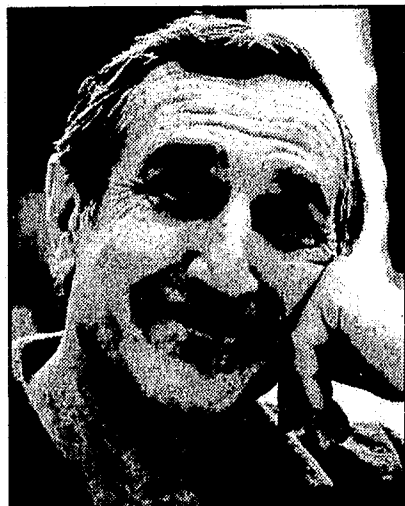
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"May You Rest in Peace."

-Connie Roberge-

Members of the family include her parents of Gorham, N.H.; a sister, Abigail of Gorham, N.H.; her paternal grandparents, Darrell and Patricia Bernier of Gorham, N.H.; her maternal grandparents, Theodore and Linda Davis of Bethel; her paternal great-grandmother, Hazel Sterling of Dresden, Ohio; aunts, uncles and cousins.

Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon, Dec. 19, at 3:30 p.m. at the West Parish Congregational Church in Bethel. In lieu of flowers, anyone who wishes may make a donation to David's House, P.O. Box 660, Lebanon, NH 03766 in her memory.



TONY MONTANARO

Tony Montanaro, 75, internationally acclaimed mime artist, director and teacher, died at his home in Casco on Friday, Dec. 13, 2002, in the company of his family.

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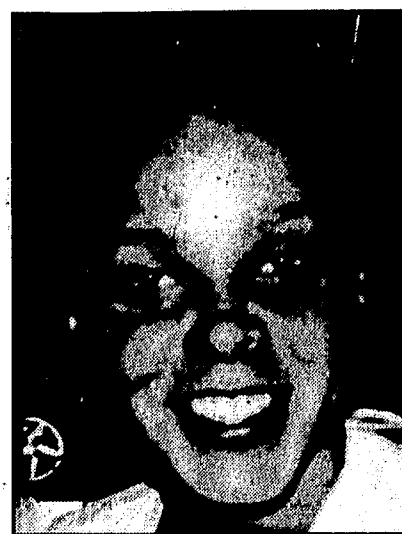
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FLORINE E. BOWDEN

Florine "Flo" E. Bowden, 85, of Hunts Corner Road, Albany, died Monday, Dec. 16, 2002, at Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway.

She was born in Albany Township on Nov. 19, 1917, the daughter of Herbert I. and Maude M. (Crosse) Bean. She was educated in local schools and graduated from Gould Academy in 1935. She was proud of her Scottish ancestry and was a member of the Scottish Clan MacBean.

She had lived in Rhode Island for 35 years where she was very active doing volunteer work at hospitals; she later moved to Massachusetts where she lived for 14 years before returning to Maine. She was a former member of the O.E.S. Betsy Williams Chapter in North Providence, R.I.

She attended the Albany Congregational Church and was a very active caretaker of the church sanctuary and was dedicated to working on the church suppers. She loved to cook, garden and watch birds. She lived for her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She is survived by her husband of 61 years, Alanson "Bud" Bowden of Albany; one son, Keith Bowden and his wife Bonnie of Melrose, Mass.; two daughters, Gail F. Roy and Judith D. Butler both of Woonsocket, R.I.; three sisters, Edna York and Muriel Butters both of Bethel and Adelaide Gibbs of Peabody, Mass.; eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by one brother, Herbert of Old Orchard Beach; and one sister, Jennie Jones of Lewiston.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit at the Greenleaf Funeral Home, 37 Vernon Street, Bethel, on Friday, Dec. 20, from 6 to 8 p.m. A memorial service will be held Saturday, Dec. 21, at 2 p.m. at the Albany Congregational Church. Burial will be in the Albany Cemetery at a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials in Flo's memory be made to the Albany Congregational Church, c/o Reynold Jordan, P.O. Box 34, Waterford, ME 04088.

AUGUSTA B. YATES

Augusta B. Yates, 25, died Sunday, Dec. 15, 2002, at the Central Maine Medical Center, Lewiston, as a result of injuries sustained in an auto accident. She was a resident of Main Street in Auburn and was formerly of Andover.

Born in Aurora, Ill., on July 6, 1977, she was the daughter of Larry and Carol (Wood) Yates. She attended Andover Elementary School and Telstar High School. She had a love for life.

Survivors include her parents, Larry and Carol Yates of Andover; her children, Echo Lynn Hoyt, Alexander Hoyt and Jacob Yates all of Bryant Pond; the father of her children, Ben Hoyt of Bryant Pond; three sisters, November Manson and her husband James of Roxbury Pond, April Yates-Richard and her husband Joseph of Mexico, Lyrra Milligan and her husband Patrick of Chesapeake, Va.; one brother, Yrral Yates of Andover; five nephews; and four nieces.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20, at the Andover Congregational Church with the Rev. Jane Rich officiating. Interment in the spring will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery, Andover. Friends are invited to call at the Meader & Son Funeral Home, 3 Franklin Street, Rumford, on Thursday, Dec. 19, from 6 to 8 p.m. Those who desire may contribute to a trust fund for her children c/o Bangor Savings Bank, 118 Congress Street, Rumford, ME 04276 in her memory.

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God Bless You All,
Joan & Bud Howe

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